

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1366

Honolulu, Hawaii

Apr 2, 2009

RE: H.C.R. No. 82
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred
H.C.R. No. 82 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING LEGISLATIVE SUPPORT
FOR THE ANE KEOHOKALOLE HIGHWAY EXTENSION, MID-LEVEL ROAD, IN
THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to decrease
traffic congestion and increase accessibility to areas in the
Kealakehe region of the County of Hawaii by expressing legislative
support for the Ane Keohokalole Highway extension, mid-level road.

The Mayor of the County of Hawaii, Department of
Transportation, Department of Hawaiian Homelands (DHHL), Hawaii
Housing and Finance Development Corporation (HHFDC), The Pacific
Resources Partnership, and ForestCity Hawaii testified in support
of this measure.

Currently, traffic between the primary employment centers of
South Kohala and South Kona is limited to the two arterial
corridors of Queen Ka'ahumanu Highway and Mamalahoa Highway. This
often leads to long delays along both highways. The extension of
Ane Keohokalole Highway will provide an additional route for
motorists and relieve the congestion along both of the existing
highways. The extension will also provide access to two major and
much-needed affordable housing projects in the area currently
being developed by both DHHL and HHFDC which, in turn, will

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provide short- and long-term employment opportunities for residents of the County of Hawaii.

Your Committee has amended this measure by requesting the agencies involved in the Ane Keohokalole Highway extension to proceed as expeditiously as possible.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 82, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 82, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation,



JOSEPH M. SOUKI, Chair



