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Testimony for TRN 2/6/2012 9:00:00 AM HB2684

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**Comments:**

I Stand In Strong Support of HB2684 Relating to the Zipper Lane

Aloha kakou,

My name is Kapua Keliikoa-Kamai and I live in the Wai'anae Valley Homestead community. Like many Leeward families, we commute eastward on a daily basis from Farrington Highway to H1 East and take the Waimalu Exit, as we transport our daughters to Ke Kula Kaiapuni o Waiiau (Waiiau Elementary School in Pearl City).

Back in the '70's, traffic wasn't congested until after the H1 & H2 merge, approximately by Leeward Community College. On bad days, it would back up west of the merge. I left in the 80's and returned home in the '90's. At that time, traffic was just west of LCC, occasionally backing up to Waikele. Then traffic started at Waikele and occasionally backing up to Manager's Drive.

Over time, the traffic has only increased and gotten worse. Today, traffic is normally by Kunia. On the rare good days that we have, we can make it to Manager's Drive before getting congested. However, there are more bad days than good lately. Traffic is oftentimes WEST of Kunia and occasionally backed-up to Ku Alaka'i, the new North-South Road. And we've even been as far west as Makakilo Drive on a few occasions too.

Development continues to thrive on the Leeward side, as pre-planned and intended by our predecessors. However, our predecessors didn't adequately plan for nor provide adequate transportation modes and options. Which brings us to the Rail and its continuing sky-rocketing price increases. But that conversation will occur later with different legislation.

For the reasons, I've stated above, I ask you to pass HB 2684 as it was needed years ago, before the over-development that has already occurred (to include the Ewa plains) without traffic relief.

This legislation and its intended purpose is needed TODAY. So, again I ask you to pass this bill forward and support its appropriation.

Mahalo nui loa,

**From:** Hanalei Aipoalani [haipoalani@yahoo.com]  
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**To:** TRNtestimony  
**Cc:** Rep. Joseph Souki; Rep. Linda Ichiyama; Rep. Sylvia Luke; Rep. Scott Saiki; Rep. Roy Takumi  
**Subject:** Support - HB2684 Relating to Zipper Lane

Dear Chair Souki, Vice Chair Ichiyama and Committee Members:

Aloha no!

As a Nanakuli resident who commutes to Honolulu for work most mornings via the zipper lane, I am writing to urge passage HB2684.

Without a doubt, by extending the zipper lane to Kapolei, West and Central Oahu commuters will realize a reduction in traffic congestion.

Please consider passage of this piece of legislation.

Mahalo,

Hanalei

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