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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO EXAMINE ALTERNATIVE  
WAYS TO REDESIGN THE H-1/H-2 FREEWAY MERGE TO ALLEVIATE  
TRAFFIC CONGESTION.

1           WHEREAS, Hawaii faces severe traffic problems, which  
2 continue to worsen and impose substantial hardships on commuters  
3 and businesses; and  
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5           WHEREAS, excessive traffic congestion has a severe  
6 detrimental impact on Hawaii's economy, the environment, and the  
7 quality of life for residents; and  
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9           WHEREAS, Honolulu ranked first for traffic congestion out  
10 of 100 cities in 2011 according to a study by INRIX, a provider  
11 of traffic and navigation services in North America; and  
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13           WHEREAS, the INRIX study found that Honolulu drivers waste  
14 an average of 58 hours per year in traffic congestion; and  
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16           WHEREAS, West Oahu commuters face some of the most severe  
17 traffic congestion on Oahu as they travel toward Honolulu on  
18 weekday mornings often spending several hours in traffic  
19 gridlock; and  
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21           WHEREAS, a bottleneck exists at the H-1/H-2 freeway merge  
22 that exacerbates the traffic congestion problem; and  
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24           WHEREAS, a comprehensive study examining the worsening  
25 traffic congestion by the H-1/H-2 freeway merge would assist the  
26 State in finding solutions to address one area of concern  
27 regarding traffic congestion; now, therefore,



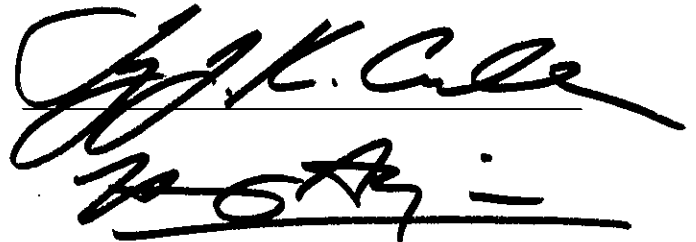
1 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
2 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
3 Session of 2013, the Senate concurring, that the Department of  
4 Transportation is urged to study alternative ways to alleviate  
5 Eastbound traffic congestion on the H-1/H-2 freeway,  
6 particularly near the H-1/H-2 merge; and  
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8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the study consider possible  
9 ways of redesigning the H-1/H-2 freeway merge; and  
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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of  
12 Transportation submit a report, including any findings,  
13 recommendations, and necessary legislation, to the Legislature  
14 no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the Regular  
15 Session of 2014; and  
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this  
18 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of  
19 Transportation.  
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OFFERED BY:



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