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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING WORK ON THE H-1 CORRIDOR STUDY TO BE EXPEDITED AND THE STATE AND THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO EVALUATE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT INITIATIVES AND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION-SPONSORED PROJECTS IN THE OAHU METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION-APPROVED FY 2011-2014 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM TO ADDRESS TRAFFIC CONGESTION IN THE AIEA-RED HILL-MOANALUA-SALT LAKE AREA.

1           WHEREAS, Hawaii's citizens and businesses rely on a viable  
2 roadway system for mobility and economic prosperity; and  
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4           WHEREAS, the 2015 TomTom Traffic Index ranked Honolulu as  
5 the third most congested city in the United States with a 32  
6 percent congestion level, behind only San Francisco at 34  
7 percent and Los Angeles at 39 per cent; and  
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9           WHEREAS, significant factors and conditions that exacerbate  
10 traffic in the Aiea-Red Hill-Moanalua-Salt Lake areas include:  
11 the Moanalua, H-1, and H-3 Freeways' exits and entrances, Kaiser  
12 Permanente Moanalua Medical Center, Aliamanu Military  
13 Reservation, Honolulu International Airport, the Federal  
14 Detention Center, The U.S. Postal Service Honolulu District  
15 Office, Tripler Army Medical Center, Fort Shafter, Camp Smith,  
16 Aloha Stadium, Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam, Ford Island,  
17 Pearl Harbor, the Pacific Aviation Museum, the U.S.S. Arizona  
18 and Battleship Missouri Memorials, Pearlridge Shopping Center,  
19 and several large residential developments; and  
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21           WHEREAS, traffic volumes for the Moanalua Freeway west of  
22 Kahuapaani Street have ranged between 48,625 and 37,775 vehicles  
23 and volumes for the Moanalua Freeway at Moanalua Stream Bridge  
24 have ranged between 115,345 and 96,155 vehicles, respectively,  
25 over the past 22 years; and



1           WHEREAS, the 2015 American Highway Users Alliance's report  
2 "Unclogging America's Arteries 2015: Prescriptions for Healthier  
3 Highways," noted that the H-3 merge at Ala Kapuna Street is a  
4 significantly congested bottleneck of national significance,  
5 with a queue length of 0.7 miles and an annual total delay of  
6 607,100 hours; and  
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8           WHEREAS, in 2011, the Oahu Metropolitan Planning  
9 Organization (OMPO) published the Congestion Management Process  
10 Report, which lays out projects planned by OMPO to alleviate  
11 traffic congestion throughout the island of Oahu as part of its  
12 Oahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP) 2035 project; and  
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14           WHEREAS, the comprehensive Congestion Management Process  
15 Report identified the following ORTP funded projects to improve  
16 traffic congestion conditions in the Aiea-Red Hill-Moanalua-Salt  
17 Lake area: ORTP Project #2 to widen the Interstate Route H-1 by  
18 one lane in the eastbound direction, from the Waiawa Interchange  
19 to the Halawa Interchange; ORTP Project #12 to widen Salt Lake  
20 Boulevard from two lanes to six lanes, between Maluna Street and  
21 Ala Lilikoi Street and to widen Puuloa Road from Pukuloa Road to  
22 Nimitz Highway; and ORTP Project #27 to extend a PM contra-flow  
23 lane westbound from Keehi Interchange to Radford Drive; and  
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25           WHEREAS, the State Department of Transportation is in the  
26 final stages of its H-1 Corridor Study to identify the causes of  
27 congestion along this traffic corridor and to propose solutions  
28 for congestion problems along the corridor; now, therefore,  
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30           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
31 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
32 Session of 2016, that the Department of Transportation is  
33 requested to work with the Department of Transportation Services  
34 of the City and County of Honolulu to expedite work on the  
35 Department of Transportation's H-1 Corridor Study and complete  
36 the study by June 2016, in order to develop recommendations to  
37 address the Aiea-Red Hill-Moanalua-Salt Lake congestion and to  
38 enable timely funding of critically needed projects; and



1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of  
 2 Transportation and Department of Transportation Services of the  
 3 City and County of Honolulu are urged to evaluate the following  
 4 traffic management initiatives: ORTP Project #2, ORTP Project  
 5 #12, and ORTP Project #27 and their impact on traffic congestion  
 6 in the Aiea-Red Hill-Moanalua-Salt Lake area to determine  
 7 whether additional projects are needed to address traffic  
 8 congestion in the Aiea-Red Hill-Moanalua-Salt Lake area; and  
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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of  
 11 Transportation and Department of Transportation Services of the  
 12 City and County of Honolulu are requested to evaluate how the  
 13 following three Department of Transportation-sponsored projects  
 14 in the OMPO-approved FY 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement  
 15 Program will help to address traffic congestion in the Aiea-Red  
 16 Hill-Moanalua-Salt Lake area: (1) OS8- Freeway Management  
 17 System, Interstate H-1, H-2, and Moanalua Freeway (Routes H-201  
 18 and 78), Phase 1C; (2) OS9 - Freeway Management System,  
 19 Interstate H-1, H-2, and Moanalua Freeway (Routes H-201 and 78),  
 20 Phase 2A; and (3) OS12 - Freeway Management System, Interstate  
 21 H-1, H-2, and Moanalua Freeway (Routes H-201 and 78), System  
 22 Manager; and  
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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of  
 25 Transportation, with assistance from the Department of  
 26 Transportation Services of the City and County of Honolulu,  
 27 submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including  
 28 any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than  
 29 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of  
 30 2017; and  
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32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 33 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Transportation and  
 34 Director of the Department of Transportation Services of the  
 35 City and County of Honolulu.  
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