

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2571

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 03 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2375

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Energy, to which was referred S.B. No. 2375 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish a speed limit of sixty-five miles per hour for the Daniel K. Inouye highway.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the County of Hawaii Game Management Advisory Commission, Hawaii Hunting Association, and five individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Hawaii County Police Department and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Transportation.

Your Committee finds that Route 200, known locally as Saddle Road, traverses the width of the Island of Hawai'i, from downtown Hilo to the junction with Hawaii Route 190, near Waimea. The road was considered one of the most dangerous paved roads in the State, with many one-lane bridges and areas of marginally maintained pavement. Most of the road has now been repaved, and major parts have new re-alignments to modern standards. Saddle Road is now known as the Daniel K. Inouye Highway in honor of the late Senator Daniel K. Inouye.



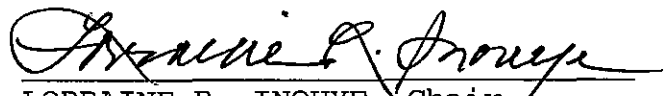
Your Committee finds that the current speed limit of forty-five miles per hour may not be suitable for the Daniel K. Inouye Highway in certain places, and yet suitable in others.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Raising the speed limit to sixty miles-per-hour beginning at mile marker 19; and
- (2) Clarifying that the speed limit shall be forty-five miles-per-hour or any other speed limit as determined by the department of transportation, beginning at the Pohakuloa training area and ending one-half mile east of the Mauna Kea county park entrance.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Energy that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2375, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2375, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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


LORRAINE R. INOUYE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Transportation and Energy
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Bill / Resolution No.:* <i>SB 2375</i>	Committee Referral: <i>TRE</i>	Date: <i>02-25-16</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
INOUE, Lorraine R. (C)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike (VC)				✓
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne				✓
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				✓
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	<i>4</i>			<i>3</i>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align: center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">Michelle N. Kidani</div>				
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