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March 21, 2016
10:15 a.m.
State Capitol, Room 309

H.C.R. 199 / H.R. 145
REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO PERFORM A
FEASIBILITY STUDY ON THE INSTALLATION OF A TRAFFIC LIGHT AT THE
INTERSECTION OF OMAOPIO ROAD AND KULA HIGHWAY AS A MEANS TO
IMPROVE PUBLIC SAFETY.

House Committee on Transportation

The Department of Transportation **supports with an amendment** these resolutions.

We request submittal of a report of our findings and recommendation to the Legislature be revised from 2017 to 2018. This would provide the time needed to complete the study.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

Lois Tambalo

From: Rep. Kyle Yamashita
Sent: Sunday, March 20, 2016 8:04 AM
To: Lois Tambalo
Subject: Fwd: traffic light at the intersection of Omaopio Road and Kula Highway

Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE smartphone

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----- Original message -----

From: sgomes12@hawaii.rr.com
Date: 3/19/2016 7:32 PM (GMT-10:00)
To: "Rep. Kyle Yamashita" <repyamashita@capitol.hawaii.gov>
Cc: gladys.baisa@mauicounty.us
Subject: traffic light at the intersection of Omaopio Road and Kula Highway

My name is Heather Gomes and I have been in contact with Kyle Yamashita regarding installing a traffic light at the intersection of Omaopio Road and Kula Highway. I was born and raised on Maui and have been living on Omaopio Road for the past 19 years. I have been using that intersection for the past seven years, taking my son to Kamehameha School. There is no alternate way to get to Kula Highway. Since that time, I have seen an increase in the amount of traffic, possibly due to the increase number of schools on or near Kula Highway. As you are aware there are five schools in the vicinity. I have also seen an increase in the amount of accidents and have witnessed many, many vehicles passing on the right of vehicles attempting to make a left turn at the intersection. One of government's major responsibilities is to provide safety to the public. Please vote in favor of HCR199 and continue proving that safety to the public. Thank you.