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House Committee on Transportation

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** the intent of this bill as long as it does not replace our priorities requested in the Executive Budget, and offers the following comments:

In SECTION 2 of this Bill, the DOT recommends an amount of \$ 2,000,000 to be appropriated in Fiscal Year 2017-2018. The appropriation amount will be used to design and construct a westbound shoulder lane between the Kunia/Waipahu/Ewa interchange and the Kualakai Parkway interchange providing there are minimal or no upgrades or improvements to the existing highway facilities. This would be similar to what was constructed in the eastbound direction from Kualakai Parkway on-ramp to the Kunia off-ramp.

However, if the DOT determines during the design phase that major upgrades or improvements are deemed necessary to provide a safe shoulder lane for motorists, the DOT recommends the funding amount of \$ 2,000,000 be dedicated exclusively for the design phase. Possible upgrades and improvements may include widening of the highway, reconstructing the pavement, relocating light fixtures, improving the drainage system, and cutting back the embankment. An additional future appropriation would be necessary to fund the construction of the shoulder lane and applicable upgrades.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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Comments: I was driving westbound on H1, saw the shoulder to the right, had the idea why not improve it like we've done for the corresponding shoulder in the westbound direction. So I emailed Rep. Ty Cullen and I was gratified to see that that very Bill 1305 had been introduced. Let's use this opportunity and be proactive and improve that shoulder for all of us, but particularly those exiting at Kualaka'i. We don't have to wait years for the traffic to get all backed up, for emergency vehicles not to get through, for children not to get picked up after school, for all kind of inconveniences that diminishes our quality of life here - we can get out ahead of things and show ourselves to be true leaders - not followers and reactors.

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