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**H.C.R. 165 / H.R. 142**  
**URGING STATEWIDE SUPPORT FOR TRAFFIC SAFETY LEGISLATION TO**  
**REDUCE MOTOR VEHICLE FATALITIES AND INJURIES.**

House Committee on Transportation

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The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** H.C.R. 165 / H.R. 142, which urge statewide support for traffic safety legislation to reduce motor vehicle fatalities and injuries.

During the calendar years of 2013-2017, 517 people died on Hawaii's roadways. This is unacceptable and should not continue, especially since the overwhelming majority of these fatalities were preventable.

DOT strongly believes that a strong multifaceted approach using legislation, enforcement and education is necessary to reduce the number of fatalities and injuries that are occurring on our State's roads. Furthermore, strong community and legislative support, in addition to establishing stronger laws, will result in the reduction of motor vehicle fatalities and injuries.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.