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**S.B. 1091, S.D.2**  
**RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.**

House Committee on Transportation

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The Department of Transportation (DOT) **strongly supports** S.B. 1091, S.D.2 to authorize emergency general funds of \$15,000,000 to address the February 2019 Pali Highway and Route 30 landslide events. Funding is provided to complete debris removal, inspect damage, scale slopes, remove additional materials that pose risk of falling, and construct rockfall protection structures for the public's safety. These funds will also be used for recovery efforts which include the maintenance of the contraflow lanes on Pali Highway, and maintaining limited access restrictions along Honoapiilani Highway from mile marker 36 to mile marker 42, to allow local access and continued mitigation efforts.

The justification for general funds ensures the safe mobility of people and goods, as safer highways contribute to stimulate growth, economic development and social benefits.

Of the emergency relief projects that qualify for federal relief funds, reimbursement from the Federal Highway Administration for qualifying and approved expenditures, typically 80% of project costs, will be deposited back to the State general fund upon completion of these projects.

The DOT further offers revision to Section 2, to correct the date of the Pali event from February 19, 2019, to February 18, 2019, and extend funding to include landslide protection structures.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.