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**S.B. 512**  
**RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

Senate Committee on Transportation

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The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** the intent of this bill.

S.B. 512 amends appropriations provided by Act 49/SLH 2017 as amended Act 53/SLH 2018. However, the DOT respectfully has the following concerns regarding S.B. 512 in its current form:

- S.B. 512 should consider the Governor's Executive budget (HB 964/SB 126) adjusted Act 49/SLH 2017 as amended by Act 53/SLH 2018 by **excluding** the following in its base (Section 2, page 3, line 16):
  - TRN 395/CB Harbors Administration
    - Special Maintenance Program     \$ 15,000,000 (B)

The Harbors Division received the Department of Budget and Finance and Governor's approval to restructure its budget by consolidating 11 programs into one program – TRN 301 and retitled as the Hawaii Harbors System. The bill provides a \$20 million for the Harbors Division's Special Maintenance Program for FY20-21 to maintain the harbors and efficiently move people and goods into, out of, and through Hawaii's commercial harbors.

Currently, the \$20 million for the Harbors Division's Special Maintenance Program for FY20-21 is included in the Governor's budget in SB 126. The \$20 million request for the Harbors Division's Special Maintenance Program is \$5 million more than FY 19 (\$15 million) to allow increasing the scope of work and the number of piers and wharves that can be maintained and/or in need or current or planned repair and replacement of improvements.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.