

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 23 , 2021

RE: H.R. No. 101

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2021  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.R. No. 101 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING ANY PUBLIC PROJECT, PERMIT, OR APPROVAL THAT IMPROVES PEDESTRIAN AND TRAFFIC SAFETY WHILE RETAINING PUBLIC PARKING AT LANIAKEA BEACH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support any public project, permit, or approval that improves pedestrian and traffic safety while retaining public parking at Laniakea Beach.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation and one individual.

Your Committee finds that Laniakea Beach is a popular tourist attraction, with hundreds of visitors parking along Kamehameha Highway for an opportunity to see turtles on the beach. However, this has created major safety concerns as pedestrians are crossing the street, causing traffic congestion on Kamehameha Highway. The Department of Transportation attempted to address this safety concern by placing concrete jersey barriers to block the public from parking on city property. While the barriers worked to improve traffic in the area, the Department of Transportation was later required to remove all barriers. Currently, the Department of Transportation is looking at four alternatives to improve safety and traffic conditions in that area. Therefore, your

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Committee believes that any project aiming to improve the safety of pedestrians and drivers in the State should be supported by the Legislature.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 101 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Transportation,

  
HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair



