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**H.B. 766, H.D. 1, Proposed S.D. 2
RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

Senate Committee on Ways and Means

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** H.B. 766, H.D. 1, Proposed S.D. 2 with amendments, which appropriates funds to establish the photo red light imaging detector systems pilot program.

Traffic safety is a top priority for the DOT and our partners, as there are too many senseless motor vehicle fatalities and serious injuries on our roadways. We should be using every available tool to meet our Vision Zero goal.

The DOT intends to procure services for implementation of the Red Light Running pilot project in Honolulu and requests that this bill amend the appropriation amount and dates to reflect the intended implementation schedule. We are asking for the following amendments to the Proposed S.D. 2:

SECTION 1. Act 30, 2020 Session Laws of Hawaii, sections 9 and 10, is amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 9. There is appropriated out of the state highway fund the sum of \$2,000,000 or so much thereof for fiscal year 2020-2021; [~~\$800,000~~] \$400,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2021-2022; and \$400,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 to be deposited into the photo red light imaging detector systems special fund.

SECTION 10. There is appropriated out of the photo red light imaging detector systems special fund the sum of \$2,000,000 or so much thereof for fiscal year 2020-

2021; [~~\$800,000~~] \$400,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2021-2022; and \$400,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for purposes of establishing the photo red light imaging detector systems pilot program.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of transportation for the purposes of this Act; provided that the department of transportation shall expend \$112,602 in [~~fiscal year 2020-2021 and~~] fiscal year 2021-2022, fiscal year 2022-2023, and fiscal year 2023-2024 for the funding of one permanent full-time (1.0 FTE) deputy prosecuting attorney position within the department of the prosecuting attorney of the city and county of Honolulu."

SECTION 2. All unexpended and unencumbered balances of the fiscal year 2020-2021 appropriations made in Act 30, 2020 Session Laws of Hawaii as of the close of business on June 30, 2022, shall lapse.

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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Testimony for WAM on 4/9/2021 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
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Comments:

I am in support of this bill and have experienced it myself driving through the state high ways that connect to privately owned roads. If this measure gets passed it will allow DOT to assess the impact fees of unsafe roadways.