

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3771

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 06 2022

RE: S.C.R. No. 137

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2022  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred  
S.C.R. No. 137 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO EXPEDITE WORK ON  
THE MAIPALAOA BRIDGE IN MAILI, OAHU AND IMPROVE TRAFFIC  
SIGNAL SUPPORT ON THE WAIANAE COAST AND URGING VARIOUS  
ENTITIES TO WORK TOGETHER TO IMMEDIATELY OPEN THE SECTION OF  
THE WAIANAE COAST EMERGENCY ACCESS ROAD SYSTEM EXTENDING  
PAAKEA ROAD OUT TO LUALUALEI NAVAL ROAD FOR PUBLIC USE ON A  
PERMANENT BASIS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Request that the Department of Transportation take all necessary steps to expedite work on the Maipalaoa Bridge in Maili, Oahu;
- (2) Request improved traffic signal support on the Waianae Coast; and
- (3) Urge various entities to work together to immediately open the section of the Waianae Coast Emergency Access Road System extending from Paakea Road out to Lualualei Naval Road for public use on a permanent basis.



Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation and two individuals.

Your Committee finds that gridlock traffic is a serious problem for Leeward motorists. Maipalaoa Bridge was last reconstructed in 1970, is severely compromised due to deterioration, and is currently under reconstruction. The Waianae Coast Emergency Access Road System is currently a closed emergency roadway that could significantly improve traffic congestion were it to be opened on a more permanent basis. Furthermore, Honolulu's Joint Traffic Management Center can manage traffic flow conditions if all of Waianae's vital traffic signals are connected. The purpose of this measure is to ameliorate Leeward gridlocks through a combination of various changes including the expediting of the Maipalaoa Bridge reconstruction, opening of the Waianae Coast Emergency Access Road System, and streamlining of Waianae's traffic signal system.

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 S.C.R. No. 137 and recommends its adoption.

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



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CHRIS LEE, Chair



The Senate  
 Thirty-First Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Transportation**  
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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  
 If so, then the previous decision was to: \_\_\_\_\_

The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312     
  Pass, with amendments 2311     
  Hold 2310     
  Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
LEE, Chris (C)	/			
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)				/
DECOITE, Lynn	/			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>1</b>

Recommendation:     
 Adopted     
 Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:

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