

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3829

Honolulu, Hawaii

**APR - 6 2022**

RE: S.C.R. No. 148  
S.D. 1

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. 148 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CALLING FOR IMMEDIATE ACTION TO  
ADDRESS RAPIDLY ESCALATING COSTS OF TRANSPORTATION IN  
HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the  
convening of a task force to address how the State can lower the  
cost of transportation in Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Hawaii State Energy Office, Ulupono Initiative, Hawaii  
Bicycling League, and Hawaii Children's Action Networks Speaks!.  
Your Committee received comments on this measure from the  
Department of Transportation.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii transportation costs have  
risen twenty-three percent in the last twelve months, ranging from  
\$8,000-\$13,000 per individual. Insurance, maintenance, and gas  
prices contribute to these amounts and the lack of sufficient safe  
pedestrian and bike infrastructure means that many families  
require a separate motor vehicle per person. Therefore, this  
measure requests the convening of a task force to evaluate how the  
State can lower the cost of transportation.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Updating findings relating to the Bureau of Labor Statistics report;
- (2) Clarifying that the focus of the task force should be on issues within the jurisdiction of the Department of Transportation;
- (3) Adding the Chief Energy Officer and representatives of the Hawaii Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice, AlohaCare, and the Hawaii Children's Action Network Speaks! to the membership of the task force;
- (4) Replacing mention of statistics regarding non-drivers with language describing the economic benefits of electric vehicles and electric public transportation;
- (5) Adding the evaluation of current Department of Transportation priorities, processes, and outcomes as a task force requested duty;
- (6) Amending its title accordingly; and
- (7) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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. 148, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 148, S.D. 1.

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

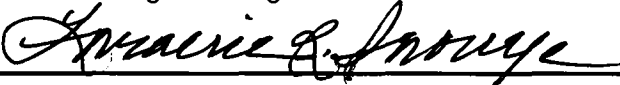


CHRIS LEE, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-First Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Transportation**  
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<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is:		
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Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
Nay	Excused	
LEE, Chris (C)	✓	
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)	✓	
DECOITE, Lynn		
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	✓	
FEVELLA, Kurt		
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