

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3738

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR - 6 2022

RE: S.R. No. 86

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.R. No. 86 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO INCREASE LOCAL FUNDING FOR METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS AND TO PURSUE FURTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES UNDER THE FEDERAL BIPARTISAN INFRASTRUCTURE LAW,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the Department of Transportation to increase local funding for metropolitan planning organizations and to pursue further funding opportunities under the Federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law.

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

Your Committee finds that the cost of building and maintaining infrastructure is one of the costliest annual expenses to the State. The new Federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law will provide opportunities for federal funding. Metropolitan Planning Organizations are an important part of the process of obtaining federal funding but are traditionally understaffed in Hawaii compared to Metropolitan Planning Organizations in other states. Therefore, the purpose of this measure is to request that the



Department of Transportation increase funding for Metropolitan Planning Organizations so that they may more effectively pursue federal funding for infrastructure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding a request for annual Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization briefings to the Legislature, including how projects planned and underway achieve state ground transportation goals;
- (2) Clarifying that the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization is requested to submit annual briefings to the legislature on projects in the Oahu regional transportation plan; and
- (3) 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.R. No. 86, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 86, S.D. 1.

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

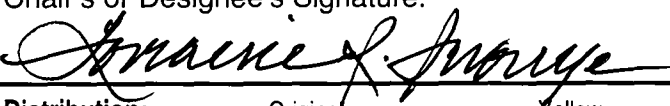


CHRIS LEE, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-First Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SR86	TRS	3/29/22
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
Nay	Excused	
LEE, Chris (C)	✓	
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (VC)	✓	
DECOITE, Lynn		✓
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	✓	
FEVELLA, Kurt		✓
TOTAL	3	0
0	0	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:		
		
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