

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1811

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 31 , 2023

RE: H.R. No. 179

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.R. No. 179 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE OF HAWAII, CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, FEDERAL ENTITIES, AND PRIVATE LAND OWNERS TO WORK TOGETHER TO IMMEDIATELY OPEN THE SECTION OF THE WAIANAEO COAST EMERGENCY ACCESS ROAD EXTENDING PAAKEA ROAD OUT TO LUALUALEI NAVAL ROAD FOR PUBLIC USE ON A PERMANENT BASIS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the State of Hawaii, City and County of Honolulu, federal entities, and private land owners to work together to immediately open the section of the Waianae Coast Emergency Access Road extending Paakea Road out to Lualualei Naval Road for public use on a permanent basis.

Your Committee did not receive any written testimony on this measure.

Your Committee finds that Farrington Highway is the main route of travel for communities of the Leeward Coast of Oahu and it is the only public highway that leads into and out of the region. Farrington Highway has experienced lane closures or complete shutdowns on numerous occasions due to traffic accidents, severe weather, and construction work. Your Committee further finds that the system of roads known as the Waianae Coast Emergency Access Road consists of gated roads and can be opened

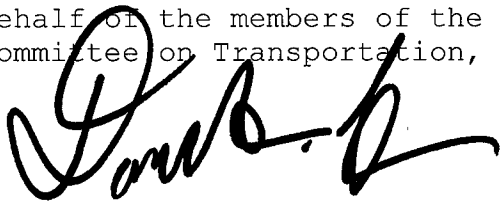
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when deemed necessary or when requested by the Honolulu Police Department. Your Committee therefore finds that it is critical for this alternate route to be opened permanently to alleviate traffic and improve public safety.

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. 179 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

for 
CHRIS TODD, Chair



