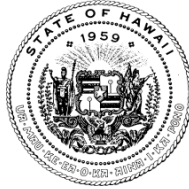


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**REQUESTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ESTABLISH AN AIR SERVICE
TASK FORCE TO PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVING COMMERCIAL AIR
TRAVEL TO AND FROM MOLOKAI.**

House Committee on Transportation

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** this measure, which requests that the DOT establishes an air service task force to provide recommendations for improving commercial air travel to and from Molokai.

The DOT supports this measure but proposes that the members of the task force be changed and consist of the following:

- (1) One (1) member selected by the Senate President;
- (2) One (1) member selected by the House Speaker;
- (3) One (1) member selected by the Governor;
- (4) The Director for Transportation, or their designee; and
- (5) Any additional member whose expertise may be relevant to and as recommended by the working group.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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Testimony for TRN on 3/23/2023 10:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
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Comments:

I support this resolution, but would ask that it be amended to include the island of Lānaʻi. Residents of Lānaʻi too, face the daily challenges of having only one commercial air carrier. There are several other air carriers operating in and out from/to Lānaʻi, but none other than Mokulele carry non-hotel-guests. Mokulele has, despite its good intentions, consistently cancelled many flights, frequently arrives and/or departs late, and provides exceptionally little communication with the impacted passengers. And yes, we have a ferry to Lahaina, but this does not preclude the need for consistent air travel to and from O'ahu.