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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO EXPAND THE RED-LIGHT SAFETY PROGRAM.

WHEREAS, red-light running is a significant cause of 1 crashes, deaths, and injuries at signalized intersections; and 2 3 4 WHEREAS, between 2015 and 2020, there have been 1,879 5 crashes as a result of red-light and other traffic signal violations; and 6 7 8 WHEREAS, the State is one of twenty-six states that does not use automated traffic enforcement on its public roads; and 9 10 11 WHEREAS, federal data suggests that automated traffic enforcement can reduce the costs of enforcement, lessen the 12 danger of enforcement for police officers, and increase the 13 14 awareness of drivers that there are consequences to violating traffic laws; and 15 16 17 WHEREAS, Act 131, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019, established a Red Light Running Committee comprised of representatives from 18 the Judiciary, Public Defender's Office, State Highway Safety 19 20 Council, county police departments, prosecutors' offices, state and county transportation agencies, and community traffic safety 21 22 advocates; and 23 24 WHEREAS, Act 30, Session Laws of Hawaii 2020, utilized the 25 Red Light Running Committee's recommendations and authorized a two-year pilot program to determine if automated enforcement of 26 27 red-light traffic signal violations could reduce crashes and injuries; and 28 29 30 WHEREAS, presently, five intersections in urban Honolulu are live for citations utilizing automated enforcement; and 31



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1 2 WHEREAS, five additional sites in urban Honolulu were selected for automated enforcement; and 3 4 5 WHEREAS, as of February 2023, there have been nine hundred 6 forty-six citations at the five intersections in urban Honolulu 7 issuing citations; and 8 9 WHEREAS, expansion of the Red-Light Safety Program may also 10 reduce crashes and injuries across the State; now, therefore, 11 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second 12 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2024, the 13 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of 14 Transportation and the Department of Transportation Services of 15 16 the City and County of Honolulu are encouraged to expand the Red-Light Safety Program; and 17 18 19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and the Department of Transportation Services of 20 21 the City and County of Honolulu consider the following 22 intersections for the expansion of the Red-Light Safety Program: 23 24 (1) Kaahumanu Street and Moanalua Road; and 25 26 (2) Kaonohi Street and Moanalua Road; and 27 28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 29 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Transportation and Director of Transportation Services of the City and County of 30 Honolulu. 31

