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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COASTAL ROADS.

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the department of
- 2 transportation estimates the cost of at least \$15,000,000,000 to
- 3 protect the State's low-lying roads and highways from the rising
- 4 ocean and resulting erosion and flooding due to climate change.
- 5 Many roads will need to be elevated, pushed back, and, for some,
- 6 moved entirely. The department has already begun assessing the
- 7 dangers to the nine hundred and seventy-one linear miles of
- 8 state roads and highways and in 2021 issued the Hawai'i Highways
- 9 Climate Adaptation Action Plan.
- 10 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for the
- 11 department of transportation to engage in necessary climate
- 12 change adaptation for the State's coastal roads and highways.
- SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000,000 or so
- 15 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and
- 16 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
- 17 year 2024-2025 for the department of transportation to engage in



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- 1 climate change adaptation measures for the State's coastal roads
- 2 and highways.
- 3 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- 4 of transportation for the purposes of this Act.
- 5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.

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INTRODUCED BY:

# S.B. NO. 1006

### Report Title:

Climate Change; Department of Transportation; Coastal Roads and Highways; Coastal Adaptation; Appropriation

### Description:

Appropriates funds for the Department of Transportation to engage climate change adaptation measures for the State's low-lying roads and highways.

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