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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO INITIATE A PILOT  
PROJECT TO USE ALL ZIPPER LANES AS E-ZPASS TOLL COLLECTION  
ROADS DURING RUSH HOUR.

1           WHEREAS, the poor condition of Hawaii's roads has been  
2 widely criticized in recent years; and  
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4           WHEREAS, many of Hawaii's roads have fallen into a state of  
5 disrepair, thereby presenting a safety risk to children, kupuna,  
6 and all pedestrians, and causing anguish to drivers and damage  
7 to vehicles; and  
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9           WHEREAS, generally, the cost associated with road repair  
10 and maintenance has increased in recent years while fuel tax  
11 revenues have decreased; and  
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13           WHEREAS, a decrease in fuel tax revenues generally results  
14 in a decrease in appropriations to the state highway special  
15 fund which is used to effectuate necessary repair and  
16 maintenance of state roads; and  
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18           WHEREAS, the E-ZPass toll system is an effective and  
19 efficient means to supplement fuel tax revenues in order to  
20 ensure that the State can afford necessary road repairs; and  
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22           WHEREAS, E-ZPass is an electronic toll collection system  
23 which takes cash, coins, and toll tickets out of the toll  
24 collection process by allowing drivers to prepay tolls; and  
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26           WHEREAS, the E-ZPass toll system works by attaching a small  
27 electronic device to the vehicle of E-ZPass customers that  
28 allows the toll to be automatically calculated and deducted from  
29 a prepaid account as E-ZPass customers pass through the toll  
30 lanes; and  
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1           WHEREAS, in addition to increased revenues for the State,  
 2 there are many other benefits of E-ZPass toll roads, including  
 3 reduced traffic congestion, reduced harmful motor vehicle  
 4 emissions, and increased fuel consumption for motorists; and  
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6           WHEREAS, the E-ZPass toll system could be most easily  
 7 implemented on the currently designated zipper lanes; now,  
 8 therefore,  
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10           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
 11 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
 12 of 2012, the Senate concurring, that the Department of  
 13 Transportation is urged to initiate a pilot project to use all  
 14 zipper lanes as E-ZPass toll collection roads during rush hour;  
 15 and  
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17           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any revenues collected pursuant  
 18 to the pilot project be used for design, construction, and  
 19 maintenance of public roads and highways, and not be deposited  
 20 into and expended from the general fund for other purposes; and  
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22           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any E-ZPass toll collection  
 23 road be accessible to all drivers regardless of vehicle  
 24 occupancy; and  
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26           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 27 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of  
 28 Transportation, the Director of Transportation Services, and the  
 29 State Transportation Planner.  
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