
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The director of transportation shall conduct a
2 feasibility study on the construction of an alternative access
3 road to be built mauka of Farrington highway beginning at
4 Lualualei Naval Magazine road that provides access into and out
5 of the leeward coast of Oahu. The study shall include at least
6 the following:

- 7 (1) A cost-benefit analysis of establishing the mauka
8 alternative access road;
- 9 (2) Identification and evaluation of desired, intended,
10 and possibly unintended effects of establishing this
11 mauka alternative access road;
- 12 (3) Identification and evaluation of any other potential
13 alternative access routes into the leeward coast that
14 would be more cost-beneficial than the mauka
15 alternative access road;
- 16 (4) A review of previous studies conducted to identify
17 alternative access routes and determine the



1 feasibility of establishing these routes into and out
2 of the leeward coast; and

3 (5) Any other issues deemed necessary or relevant by the
4 director of transportation.

5 SECTION 2. The director of transportation shall undertake
6 a study to develop a comprehensive set of recommendations for
7 improving traffic flow in the Central Oahu corridor. The study
8 shall include:

9 (1) A comprehensive review of Central Oahu traffic flow
10 studies and any other factors the director deems
11 appropriate and relevant, such as:

12 (A) Communities and areas of Oahu affected;

13 (B) Population densities and growth of those
14 communities;

15 (C) Existing patterns and trends in traffic flows and
16 densities;

17 (D) Existing peak and off-peak usage and flows under
18 varying conditions, including seasonal and
19 weather considerations;

20 (E) Peak carrying capacity of the H-2 freeway and
21 Kamehameha highway and the surrounding feeder

22 highways and roads at current usage patterns; and



1 (F) All these patterns compared with projected
2 patterns and usage if contraflow lanes were
3 utilized on any of these thoroughfares; and

4 (2) A review of alternatives for improving regional
5 connectivity and reducing travel time.

6 SECTION 3. Chapter 286, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
7 amended by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately
8 designated and to read as follows:

9 "§286- Major accident investigation team;
10 establishment; duties. (a) The chief of police of each county
11 with a population of five hundred thousand or more shall
12 coordinate with the director to form a major accident
13 investigation team.

14 (b) Each major accident investigation team shall include
15 personnel from the county police department and the department
16 of transportation as may be necessary to expeditiously process
17 and complete major accident investigations in order to minimize
18 traffic disruption that may be caused by the major accident
19 investigation.

20 (c) The chief of police and the director shall establish
21 criteria for determining the scope of the major accident
22 investigation team's responsibilities and procedures to



1 thoroughly and expeditiously investigate major accidents and
2 minimize related traffic delays."

3 SECTION 4. The director of transportation shall submit a
4 written report of findings and recommendations, including any
5 proposed legislation related to the studies conducted pursuant
6 to sections 1 and 2, to the legislature no later than thirty
7 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2015.

8 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general
9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
10 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2014-2015 for:

- 11 (1) A feasibility study on the construction of an
12 alternative access road to be built mauka of
13 Farrington highway beginning at Lualualei Naval
14 Magazine road that provides access into and out of the
15 leeward coast of Oahu;
- 16 (2) A review of Central Oahu traffic studies and
17 alternatives for improving traffic flow in the Central
18 Oahu corridor; and
- 19 (3) Costs associated with the establishment of major
20 accident investigation teams in counties affected by
21 this Act.



1 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
2 transportation for the purposes of this Act.

3 SECTION 6. New statutory material is underscored.

4 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.



Report Title:

Transportation; Feasibility Study; Access; Leeward Coast; Central Oahu; Major Accident Investigation Teams; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the Department of Transportation to conduct a feasibility study on the construction of an alternative access road into and out of the Leeward Coast of Oahu. Requires the Department of Transportation to recommend improvements to traffic in the Central Oahu corridor. Establishes a major accident investigation team in counties with a population of 500,000 or more. Appropriates funds to the Department of Transportation. Effective July 1, 2030. (HB2563 HD2)

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