
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO CONDUCT A TRAFFIC STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO ALLEVIATE TRAFFIC CONGESTION ON KAHEKILI HIGHWAY FROM THE LIKELIKE HIGHWAY INTERSECTION TO KAMEHAMEHA HIGHWAY.

1 WHEREAS, residents of the windward side of Oahu stretching
2 from Kane'ohe to Kahalu'u and even to La'ie have complained for
3 years about the rush-hour traffic congestion on Kahekili
4 Highway; and

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6 WHEREAS, the traffic congestion poses a risk for increased
7 accidents, degrades the citizens' quality of life, and causes
8 motorists to lose valuable time in their commute to and from
9 work; and

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11 WHEREAS, afternoon traffic congestion on the windward side
12 of Oahu is further exacerbated by traffic from the Haiku Road
13 intersection to Kamehameha Highway due to the merging of three
14 lanes to a single lane for north-bound traffic; and

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16 WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation has jurisdiction
17 over State highways such as Kahekili Highway; and

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19 WHEREAS, the rush-hour traffic congestion problem needs to
20 be remedied to shorten commute times, allow residents a better
21 quality of life, and address community safety concerns; now,
22 therefore,

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24 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
25 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
26 Session of 2015, that the Department of Transportation is
27 requested to conduct a traffic study and make recommendations to
28 alleviate traffic congestion on Kahekili Highway; and

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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the traffic study identify the
31 causes of the traffic congestion and solutions to ease the



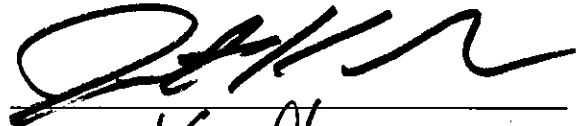
1 traffic congestion, including the widening of Kahekili Highway,
2 providing public transportation express routes for University of
3 Hawai'i students from Windward Community College to University of
4 Hawai'i at Mānoa, and deploying contraflow lanes, among other
5 appropriate solutions; and

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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
8 Transportation is requested to schedule and hold community
9 informational briefings during the course of the study; and

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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
12 Transportation is requested to submit a report of its findings
13 and recommendations, including any proposed legislation and any
14 actions taken, to the Legislature no later than twenty days
15 before the convening of the Regular Session of 2016; and

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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
18 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Transportation and
19 the Director of the Department of Transportation Services of the
20 City and County of Honolulu.

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23 OFFERED BY:



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