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April 7, 2015 2:00 p.m. State Capitol, Room 308

#### H.C.R. 29

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, TO DETERMINE THE COST OF PLACING AN OVERPASS OVER THE H-1 FREEWAY TO EXTEND BETWEEN NUUANU STREAM AND QUEEN EMMA STREET THAT WOULD REDUCE TRAFFIC NOISE POLLUTION AND BE USED AS A PARK OR OTHER COMMUNITY USE PURPOSE.

#### House Committee on Finance

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **opposes** this resolution.

Although the DOT is not opposed to consult with the Department of Accounting and General Services, the DOT is opposed to the improvements based on the costs associated with the design and construction of an overpass above the existing H-1 freeway from Nuuanu Stream to Queen Emma Street. A construction cost of more than 500 million dollars is anticipated for such an undertaking.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



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# STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY
OF
DOUGLAS MURDOCK, COMPTROLLER
DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES
TO THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE
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Chair Luke and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on H.C.R. 29.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) appreciates the intent of H.C.R. 29, however, DAGS has neither the expertise nor resources to develop the multi-disciplined scope of this proposal well enough to create a reliable cost estimate. DAGS would need to hire a consultant with combined expertise for the bridge structure, park or community purpose, and environmental aspects of this proposed concept.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on this matter.