Honolulu, Hawaii

Fe 416, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2075

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2006 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 2075 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to improve Hawaii's bikeway system by earmarking a percentage of State Highway Fund monies for bikeways and specifying the elements of bikeway development.

Na Kama Hele, Mayor's Advisory Committee on Bicycling of the City and County of Honolulu, Hawaii Bicycling League, a member of the Waikiki Neighborhood Board #9, the University of Hawaii at Manoa Bicycling Committee, and several concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. The Department of Transportation supported the intent of this measure. The Tax Foundation of Hawaii submitted comments.

While bicycling has always been a recreational activity in Hawaii, it is fast becoming a favored mode of transportation, especially in light of high fuel costs. Bicycling also has the added benefits of lessening traffic congestion, lowering repair and maintenance costs of Hawaii's roadways, and improving the overall air quality of our state, as well as the health of our citizens. However, your Committee understands the safety concerns raised by bicyclists and finds that ensuring a coordinated and continuous system of bikeways will help improve bicycling safety.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2075 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Transportation,

JØSEPH M. SOUKI, Chair

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2075	Date: 2/13/06			
Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2075 Committee Referral: TRN, FIN	☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended Recommit				
TRN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. SOUKI, Joseph M. (C)	/			
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)	~			
3. CALDWELL, Kirk				
4. CHONG, Pono	~			
5. ITO, Ken	V			
6. NAKASONE, Bob	m			
7. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L.				
8. TANAKA, Kameo	レン			
9. YAMANE, Ryan I.	~			
10. MOSES, Mark S.				
11. STEVENS, Anne V.	. /			
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TOTAL	9	1	0	1
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s) Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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