STAND. COM. REP. NO. | 553 -06

Honolulu, Hawaii

RE: H.C.R. No. 144 H.D. 1

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

Sir:

State of Hawaii

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 144 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OAHU METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION TO STUDY THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SUBMERSIBLE VEHICULAR TUNNEL FROM EWA TO DOWNTOWN HONOLULU,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to work toward alleviating traffic congestion for Leeward Oahu residents by requesting the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization (OMPO) to study the development of a submersible vehicular tunnel from Ewa to downtown Honolulu.

A professor of transportation engineering from the University of Hawaii and several concerned citizens testified in support of this concurrent resolution. OMPO submitted comments.

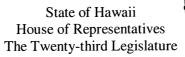
Your Committee recognizes that traffic congestion is a major concern for residents of Leeward Oahu. The option of establishing a submersible tunnel is one method being discussed for the effective control of this traffic congestion. However, your Committee finds that OMPO does not have the funds nor expertise to conduct the study requested in this measure. Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requesting the Legislative Reference Bureau, rather than OMPO, to conduct the study of the development of a submersible vehicular tunnel from Ewa to downtown Honolulu; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 144, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 144, H.D. 1.

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

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation

Bill/Resolution No.: HCR 144	Date:	415/0	6		
Committee Referral:		☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended Hold	Pass, with amendments Recommit				
TRN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. SOUKI, Joseph M. (C)	<i>\(\vec{\vec{v}}\)</i>				
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)					
3. CALDWELL, Kirk		V			
4. CHONG, Pono		302			
5. ITO, Ken			· V		
6. NAKASONE, Bob					
7. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L.					
8. TANAKA, Kameo				X	
9. YAMANE, Ryan I.	~				
10. MOSES, Mark S.					
11. STEVENS, Anne V.					
TOTAL	8	1			
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