A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRAFFIC CONTROL.

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

1	SECTION 1. The legislature finds that an intelligent
2	transportation system applies communications and information
3	technology to provide solutions to congestion and traffic
4	control issues. Such a system uses a variety of field devices
5	in partnership with a traffic control center via a single mode
6	fiber-optic network to effectively alleviate traffic congestion
7	in a geographic area.
8	A traffic control center is a key component of a successful
9	intelligent transportation system. Traffic control centers
10	provide effective, efficient responses to incidents, special
11	events, and roadway construction to ensure the smooth flow of
12	traffic.
13	Traffic cameras employed by traffic control centers provide
14	factual information for appropriate traffic decisions and signal

15 adjustments. In addition, traffic cameras provide valuable

16 information for motorists because they allow the televising of

17 conditions at key intersections across an area. Motorists are

- 1 able to view conditions at their destination, as well as traffic
- 2 conditions along their route.
- 3 On Maui, traffic across the island is routinely gridlocked
- 4 during morning and afternoon rush hours as a result of roadway
- 5 maintenance and improvements, traffic accidents, or special
- 6 events. Other examples of commuter traffic gridlock occur in
- 7 areas such as Paia town where Hana highway meets Baldwin avenue,
- 8 the Piilani highway corridor from Kihei to Wailea, and in
- 9 Lahaina town where Lahainaluna road meets Honoapiilani highway.
- 10 A traffic control center for the island of Maui, as part of an
- 11 overall intelligent transportation system, would inform
- 12 motorists about traffic conditions, maximize traffic flow, and
- 13 enhance public safety.
- 14 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for the
- 15 development and implementation of an intelligent transportation
- 16 system architectural plan for Maui, which includes a Maui
- 17 traffic control center.
- 18 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 19 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$, or so much
- 20 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, for the
- 21 development and implementation of an intelligent transportation

- 1 system architectural plan for Maui, which includes a Maui
- 2 traffic control center.
- 3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 4 transportation for the purposes of this Act.
- 5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.

Report Title:

Maui Traffic Control Center

Description:

Appropriates funds for the development and implementation of an intelligent transportation system architectural plan for Maui which includes a Maui traffic control center. Effective July 1, 2020. (SB1677 HD1)