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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO RUMBLE STRIPS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that many highways in Hawaii serve as the only routes in and out of geographically 2 isolated areas and are the lifeline to essential government 3 4 services, transportation hubs, and emergency facilities. One 5 such area is West Maui, which is connected to the rest of Maui by the Honoapiilani Highway. Although geographically isolated 6 from the rest of the island, the area is home to the second 7 largest visitor destination location in the State of Hawaii and, 8 9 as such, is an essential economic hub to the State.

10 The legislature further finds that aside from being a 11 critical commuter and transportation delivery route to West Maui, the Honoapiilani Highway also offers scenic vistas and 12 13 views of humpback whales during whale season. For these reasons, many people, especially visitors, often speed or are 14 15 inattentive while driving on the highway, often resulting in head-on collisions and road run-offs, which can close down this 16 17 vital link for hours on end.



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1 The legislature further finds that rumble strips are 2 supported by the Federal Highways Administration as part of 3 their highway safety improvement campaign because they are an 4 effective countermeasure to prevent head-on collisions and 5 cross-over or cross-centerline crashes because the noise and vibration produced by rumble strips alert drivers when they 6 7 leave the traveled way allowing for a safe recovery before an 8 accident occurs.

9 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general 10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much 11 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2011-2012 and the 12 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 13 2012-2013 to install centerline road rumble strips along the 14 Honoapiilani highway in the county of Maui to protect drivers 15 from head-on collisions and road-run offs.

16 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department17 of transportation for the purposes of this Act.

18 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.

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Report Title: Highways; Road Rumble Strips; Appropriation

Description: Makes an appropriation to install centerline road rumble strips along the Honoapiilani highway.

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