Honolulu, Hawaii

May 1 , 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2684

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Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2012 State of Hawaii

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui President of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2012 State of Hawaii

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 2684, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ZIPPER LANE,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to work towards alleviating traffic congestion on the island of Oahu by requiring the Department of Transportation to conduct a study on the feasibility of extending the zipper lane westward from Waipahu toward Kapolei, west of the Kunia on-ramp on the island of Oahu.

This measure also appropriates an unspecified amount of funds to the Department of Transportation to conduct the study.

Motor vehicle transportation has been and continues to be both a critical necessity for, and the bane of, Hawaii's drivers. Increased time spent on the road in travel decreases time spent with

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family or at work, work efficiency, and quality of life. As the population grows, especially on the west side of Oahu, the need for travel lanes will increase.

High occupancy vehicle lanes, such as zipper lanes on Oahu, provide an incentive to carpool, effectively reducing the number of cars on the road. However, your Committee on Conference finds that a zipper lane providing access to west Oahu could be more effective in reducing traffic if it extended westward from Waipahu toward Kapolei, west of the Kunia on-ramp.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by inserting an appropriation of \$200,000 for the Department of Transportation to conduct the study.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2684, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2684, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

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ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

J. KALANI ENGLISH, Chair

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