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**H.B. 562  
RELATING TO CROSSWALKS**

House Committee on Transportation

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The Department of Transportation (DOT) **opposes** H.B. 562 to require a marked crosswalk on all sides of an intersection when defined by two crossing arterial streets.

H.B. 562 has the potential to decrease pedestrian safety and increase congestion at some of these existing intersections. These new crossings will create new pedestrian and vehicle conflicts where there are significant amounts of turning vehicle traffic and/or increase overall intersection delays where “green” time for a signal phase will have to be increased to accommodate pedestrian walk times. The DOT and counties need the flexibility to safely service and balance the mobility of all roadway users.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.