
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO TAKE IMMEDIATE
STEPS TO ADDRESS TRAFFIC CONGESTION FACED BY WEST OAHU
COMMUTERS, WHICH HAS REACHED EMERGENCY LEVELS.

1 WHEREAS, traffic congestion on the island of Oahu is
2 consistently ranked among the worst in the nation; and

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4 WHEREAS, in particular, traffic congestion for commuters
5 traveling through West Oahu has reached an emergency level; and

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7 WHEREAS, traffic congestion negatively impacts the quality
8 of life for residents, workers, and tourists traveling through
9 West Oahu; and

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11 WHEREAS, each minute spent stuck in traffic is time that
12 could have been spent with family members, at work, or otherwise
13 contributing to the economy; and

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15 WHEREAS, traffic congestion thereby creates substantial
16 economic drain, inhibiting the economic potential of the West
17 Oahu region; and

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19 WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation may request a
20 waiver to allow for single occupancy vehicles to use high
21 occupancy vehicle lanes if it is in the public's best interest;
22 now, therefore,

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24 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
25 Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
26 of 2017, the Senate concurring, that the Department of
27 Transportation is requested to allow single occupancy vehicles
28 to utilize both high occupancy vehicle lanes and the contra-flow
29 Zipper Lane after 8:30 a.m. on each day that high occupancy
30 vehicle restrictions apply; and



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2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
3 Transportation is requested to construct a west-bound shoulder
4 lane between Kunia and Kualakai Parkway to help alleviate
5 evening rush hour traffic; and

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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
8 Transportation is requested to extend the Zipper Lane to begin
9 at Kualakai Parkway, rather than its current starting point in
10 Kunia; and

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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
13 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of
14 Transportation.

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