THE SENATE THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE, 2020 STATE OF HAWAII

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S.C.R. NO. 167

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE COUNTIES TO REEVALUATE CURRENT CROSSWALK LOCATIONS AND THE NEED FOR NEW CROSSWALKS.

WHEREAS, Hawaii has too many cases of pedestrian deaths and
 injuries occurring as a result of being struck in crosswalks;
 and

5 WHEREAS, in 2018, Hawaii had over forty pedestrian 6 fatalities, which was the highest pedestrian fatality rate in 7 the United States; and

9 WHEREAS, pedestrian crosswalk safety is such an important
10 community issue that in 2008, the University of Hawaii published
11 a study entitled "Modeling Violation of Hawaii's Crosswalk Law"
12 to analyze the issue; and

14 WHEREAS, the same University of Hawaii study found that 15 disproportionately more drivers than pedestrians violate the 16 crosswalk law, with the most common violation being not stopping 17 for pedestrians who are in the crosswalk, followed by stopping 18 but continuing to proceed before the pedestrian has left the 19 crosswalk; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, the House of Representatives concurring, that this body hereby requests the Department of Transportation and respective counties to work together to study the effectiveness of current crosswalk locations and the need for new crosswalks; and

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that roadways with higher pedestrian 29 traffic or those that have experienced higher rates of 30 pedestrian accidents are to be prioritized for study; and 31



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is requested to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation to the Legislature, no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of
Transportation, and the mayor of each county.

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