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March 18, 2019 2:25 p.m. State Capitol, Room 225

H.B. 857, H.D.2 RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Senate Committee(s) on Transportation & on Government Operations

The Department of Transportation (DOT) supports H.B. 857, H.D.2

This bill prohibits operating a motor scooter within the pedestrian mall that abuts the grounds of the State Capitol and Iolani Palace.

This bill will appropriate funding to develop a pedestrian mall and direct the DOT, Department of Accounting and General Services, and the Department of Land and Natural Resources to develop a long-term plan for a pedestrian mall. This approach will address the needs and safety issues of pedestrians and bicyclists.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES

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Testimony of SUZANNE D. CASE Chairperson

Before the Senate Committees on TRANSPORTATION and **GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS**

Monday, March 18, 2019 2:25 PM **State Capitol, Conference Room 225**

In consideration of **HOUSE BILL 857, HOUSE DRAFT 2** RELATING TO TRAFFIC

House Bill 857 House Draft 2 proposes to prohibit motor scooter traffic in the Hawaii State Capitol pedestrian mall. The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports this measure and offers comments.

House Bill 857, House Draft 2 proposes to amend Section 291C, HRS, to prohibit motor scooter traffic in the pedestrian mall that runs east-west between Richards Street and Punchbowl Street that abuts the Hawaii state capitol building, Iolani Palace, and the main branch of the Hawaii state library, and upon which there has been erected a statue to honor Queen Liliuokalani.

The department believes that this measure addresses an important safety and comfort issue arising from the use of the Hawaii State Capitol pedestrian mall by prohibiting motor scooters on the pedestrian mall and creating a bicycle pathway along it. As currently drafted this measure relies implicitly on the procedures for the review of state projects created by chapter 6E-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Reliance on that process may be sufficient, but given the historic qualities and the iconic architecture of the Hawaii Capitol Historic District, the department believes that House Bill 857 House Draft 2 should direct the department of transportation to consult with the department in the design and implementation of bicycle pathway on the pedestrian mall to ensure that this project reflects and preservation the historic nature and iconic architecture of the Hawaii State Capitol. The department recommends that House Bill 857 House Draft 2 be amended on page two, line 9 as follows:

SUZANNE D. CASE

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<u>To ensure that the Uupgrades shall</u> visually reflect the historic nature <u>and iconic</u> <u>architecture</u> of the capitol district, the department of transportation shall consult with the department of land and natural resources in accordance with chapter 6E-8.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.



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TESTIMONY
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TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEES
ON
TRANSPORTATION/GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

MARCH 18, 2019, 2:00 P.M. CONFERENCE ROOM 225, State Capitol

H.B. 857, H.D. 2 RELATING TO TRAFFIC

Chairs Inouye and Thielen, Vice Chairs Harimoto and Inouye, and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to testify on H.B. 857, H.D. 2 which prohibits operating a motor scooter within the pedestrian mall that abuts the grounds of the State Capitol and Iolani Palace.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) supports the intent of H.B. 857, H.D. 2. This measure works to address pedestrian safety issues. DAGS looks forward to working with the Department of Land and Natural Resources and the Department of Transportation to create a long-term development plan for the pedestrian mall.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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March 15, 2019

Testimony Supporting HB857

Aloha Chairs Inouye and Thielen, Vice Chair Harimoto, and esteemed members of the Committees on Transportation and on Governmental Operations:

Hawaii Bicycling League supports HB857, which provides funding and department directive to improve the section of the Civic Center Path between Richards Street and Punchbowl Street.

The well-used Civic Center Path provides a crucial walking and biking connection from Honolulu Hale to Hotel Street – serving as the only dedicated bikeway that connects Downtown Honolulu to areas east. The Civic Center Path was included as a priority 1 project for widening in the Oahu Bike Plan (2012). The City Department of Transportation Services completed the widening between Alapai Street and Punchbowl Street in 2014. The Civic Center Path between Punchbowl Street and Richards Street is state owned. The state needs to do its part to create a more comfortable environment for walking and bicycling by a project to widen the existing path or paths along the makai, mauka, or central sections of the Civic Center Path.

We applaud the HD2 amendments that changed the bill from a bicycling ban on this crucial bicycle route into funding to widen and improve the area for both pedestrians and bicyclists.

Thank you very much for considering the comments of Hawaii Bicycling League. If you have any questions or would like to discuss further, please contact Daniel Alexander (808-275-6717. Daniel@hbl.org or Chad Taniguchi (808-735-5756, chad@hbl.org).

Ride and Drive Aloha,

Daniel Alexander Co-Executive Director

Hawaii Bicycling League Hawaii Bicycling League

Chad Taniguchi

Director Emeritus



Monday, March 18, 2019 at 2:25 PM Conference Room 225

Senate Committee on Transportation

To: Senator Lorraine Inouye, Chair

Senator Breene Harimoto, Vice Chair

Senate Committee on Government Operations

To: Senator Laura Thielen, Chair

Senator Lorraine Inouye, Vice Chair

From: Michael Robinson

Vice President, Government Relations & Community Affairs

Re: Testimony in Support of HB 857, HD2

Relating To Traffic

My name is Michael Robinson, Vice President, Government Relations & Community Affairs at Hawai'i Pacific Health. Hawai'i Pacific Health is a not-for-profit health care system comprised of its four medical centers – Kapi'olani, Pali Momi, Straub and Wilcox and over 70 locations statewide with a mission of creating a healthier Hawai'i.

I write in support of HB 857, HD2 which prohibits operating a motor scooter within the pedestrian mall that abuts the grounds of the State Capitol and Iolani Palace, and appropriates funds to create a long-term development plan for the area.

HPH has recognized bicycling infrastructure as critical public health infrastructure providing access to healthy transportation alternatives. As an initial sponsor of Bikeshare Hawaii, HPH appreciates the value of bicycle lanes that take into consideration the safety of both bicyclists as well as pedestrians which includes many of our employees who pass through the grounds. In light of the level of bicycle and foot traffic through the area, appropriating funds for the expansion and development of the makai paved walkway of the pedestrian mall between Richards Street and Punchbowl Street that abuts the Hawaii state capitol building, Iolani Palace, and the main branch of the Hawaii state library to include a designated bicycle lane and appropriate lane markings is a worthwhile endeavor toward ensuring the welfare of mall users. We believe a physically active lifestyle leads to a healthy life. Thus, an additional benefit of the project in providing a safe environment for bicyclists and pedestrians is the encouragement of people to either walk or bicycle through the area.

Thank you for your consideration of this testimony.



March 18, 2019

RE: Support HB 857 HD 2 Relating to Traffic

Aloha Chairs Inouye & Thielen, Vice Chair Harimoto, and Members of the Committees:

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide testimony in opposition to HB857 Relating to Traffic.

Blue Zones Project—Hawaii supports HB857 HD2, which will allow for bicycling in the State Capitol Area, but more importantly it helps to create signage, education, dialogue and eventually a better developed shared use area. This measure refers to the path that runs between the Capitol and Iolani Palace from Punchbowl to Richards, connecting the path from the Civic Grounds to Hotel Street. This route, an extension of the Civic Center path, is marked as an existing bike path in the City and County of Honolulu 2012 Bike plan and is listed as a Priority 1 bike path in in the Oahu Bike Path update. By allowing bicyclists to continue to utilize this area, you are keeping them from being forced onto the high-volume roads of Beretania and King Streets, where they would risk serious injury because there are existing bike lanes.

The number of cyclists continues to rise, positively affecting overall health and well-being. People are much more likely to bike ride when and where they feel safe. The further from fast moving traffic, the safer the rider becomes. Creating a comfortable and safe environment for all users of the path is important. With planning and funding, there is the opportunity to widen the paved part of the identified area to be inclusive of all users.

If safety for all is the goal, collaborative work among all stakeholders can result in solutions that will uplift safety and increase rates of bike ridership.

Mahalo for this opportunity to testify in support of HB857 HD2.

Sincerely,

Peggy Mierzwa

Peggy Mierzwa

Statewide Policy Lead—Hawaii Blue Zones Project









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To: Senator Lorraine Inouye, Chair

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Senator Laura Thielen, Chair

Senator Lorraine Inouye, Vice Chair

Members of the Government Operations Committee

Re: Support HB 857 HD2, Relating to Traffic

Hrg: March 18, 2019 at 2:25pm at Conference Room 225

The Obesity Prevention Task Force of the Hawai'i Public Health Instituteⁱ is in **Support of HB857**, which appropriates funds to improve the pedestrian mall that runs through the State Capitol and Iolani Palace grounds.

Note: HIPHI previously opposed the original draft of HB857 which would have prohibited bicycle use in the pedestrian mall.

Funds to improve the State Capitol pedestrian mall would support the implementation of the current Oahu Bike Planⁱⁱ and Complete Streets law.

The Civic Center Bike Path is listed as a Priority 1 bike path in the Oahu Bike Plan Update. HIPHI is supports all efforts to encourage users to participate in active transportation and improve physical activity. In addition, the addition of an established bicycle lane will decrease the risk for bicycle injuries and fatalities by requiring bicyclists to go on busier streets such as Beretania and King.

HIPHI Supported the Complete Streets law passed by the legislature in 2009 and the Complete Streets law (Bill 26) passed by the Honolulu City Council in 2012. HRS §264-20.5 currently requires both the state and county to adopt a complete streets policy that "seeks to reasonably accommodate convenient access and mobility for all users of the public highways.... including pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, motorists, and persons of all ages and abilities." Complete Streets benefits all communities by accommodating everyone in the public that use multiple forms of transportation, improve safety, promoting better

health, creating stronger economies, providing more choices, and helping out the environment.

The Complete Streets law was passed to provide safe mobility for all users and HB 857 is a step forward in the State and City and County of Honolulu's efforts to improve health and physical activity for Hawai'i residents.

HIPHI respectfully requests the committee to pass this measure.

Mahalo,

Trish La Chica, MPA

Policy and Advocacy Director

Hawai'i Public Health Institute is a hub for building healthy communities, providing issue-based advocacy, education, and technical assistance through partnerships with government, academia, foundations, business, and community-based organizations.

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ⁱ Created by the legislature in 2012, the Obesity Prevention Task Force is comprised of over 60 statewide organizations, and works to make recommendations to reshape Hawai'i's school, work, community, and health care environments, making healthier lifestyles obtainable for all Hawai'i residents. The Hawai'i Public Health Institute (HIPHI) convenes the Task Force and supports and promotes policy efforts to create a healthy Hawai'i.

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Submitted on: 3/14/2019 10:02:12 AM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
lynne matusow	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

This is a "pedestrian mall." Pedestrian is defined as a person walking along a road or in a developed area. By definition, it does not include motorized vehicles, including but not limited to scooters, velocipides, bicycles, tricycles, and unicycles. These non pedestrian instruments operate at speeds much faster than walking and cause harm to pedestrians. They are lethal vehicles, just like automobiles, when they crash into the endangered species known as pedestrian. None of these vehicles should be allowed on any pedestrian mall. While I support the intent of this bill, it should revert to its original form, excluding bicycles. While bicycle riders want to be allowed, they are not following the law. Many ride the King Street sidewalks, refusing to use the King Street bike lane. What would we do if motor vehicles were driven on the sidewalks and pedestrian malls? Sit back and do nothing. Bicycles need their own lanes, not mixing with pedestrians, not ringing a bell or blaring ahorn or bell, not weaving in and out of traffic.

When the human race evolved from tree dwellers and started walking on two feet, that became the healthy and then the only mode of transportation. We are advised to walk 10,000 steps a day. But where can we safely do that? In our dreams? First you keep exclusive pedestrian paths and then create new ones for bikes, scooters, etc.

You could also create a new endangered species act, with pedestrians at the top.

Submitted on: 3/14/2019 10:23:44 AM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Wendy Arbeit	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I Oppose this bill. With all the needs this State has, the backers of this bill want to spend money on adding more cement and taking away more greenery? Just so a few scooters won't use this shortcut. A waste of money! And resources! Plus the three departments involved can't even keep up with what's on their plates as it is.

Vote NO!

Wendy Arbeit

Makiki, O`ahu.

Submitted on: 3/14/2019 5:18:21 PM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Toby Beckelman	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chairs and Committee Members,

I **strongly support HB857 HD2** that would expand the path between Richards Street and Punchbowl Street between the Capitol and Iolani Palace and make it safe for both pedestrians and bicyclist. This route is an essential pathway connecting cyclist to Downtown and towards the protected bike lane on S. King Street.

Hawaii needs to continue to support active modes of transportation, like biking, in order to reduce traffic congestion, reduce carbon emissions, and support healthy and active lifestyles.

Thank you.

<u>HB-857-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/15/2019 8:11:45 AM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Joy Loudermelt	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

<u>HB-857-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/15/2019 9:28:54 AM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jessica Fernandez	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Submitted on: 3/15/2019 11:23:54 AM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
John Rogers	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support prohibiting the operation of motor scooters along the pedestrian mall between Punchbowl Street and Richards Street and appropriating funds to create a separate paved walkway to allow pedestrians to have a dedicated path, improving safety for all.

Submitted on: 3/15/2019 3:04:47 PM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Norbert Buelsing	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Dear Honorable Representatives:

I support HB 857 HD2 as it provides funding for a long-needed improvement of the paved pathway on the makai side of the State Capitol. The expansion of the pathway will not only provide a means to safely separate pedal powered bike traffic from pedestrians, but also provide a welcome enhancement of this neglected area which is traversed by both locals and visitors.

Your support and approval is encouraged.

Aloha, Norb Buelsing

Submitted on: 3/15/2019 5:24:03 PM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sery Berhanu	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Harimoto and esteemed members of the Committee.

I, Sery Berhanu, strongly support HB857 HD2 as amended. Providing funds to improve the Civic Center Path to accommodate both pedestrians and bicyclist is a step in the right direction. It will allow both pedestrians and bicyclists to safely travel to and from Downtown.

Thank you,

Sery Berhanu

Submitted on: 3/15/2019 7:28:57 PM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Martin Bayer	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Development of the pedestrian mall between the Capital and Iolani Palace is the next step in providing a safe and sensible route through the area. It will put at ease the minds of both cyclists and pedestrians by keeping them out of each other's path. Please consider widening the existing paths or creating a new path through the area.

Submitted on: 3/15/2019 7:50:27 PM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Sub	mitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Jeffre	ey Gaskell	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

I wholeheartedly support improving this corridor so people walking and biking have an amply wide pathway or pathways to travel through this area which connects Downtown Honolulu through the Capitol District and over to King St in Makiki.

There is ample room to make this happen. Please pass this bill to improve mobility through urban Honolulu.

<u>HB-857-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/15/2019 8:01:32 PM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Zack Stoddard	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Submitted on: 3/15/2019 8:26:07 PM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Anthony Chang	Individual	Support	Yes	

Comments:

Aloha Chairs Inouye, Thielen and other members of the Senate Committees on the Transportation and Government Operations

I stand in support of HB857 HD2. As a resident of Downtown Honolulu since 2002, who travels the majority of distance each week walking, who has worked at the Capitol and Honolulu Hale previously, walking on and off those grounds regularly, this bill is a step in the right direction.

In my life I've had 2 members of my family struck by a car, one was maimed and the other died. Ever since I've been studying pedestrian safety and transportation, and am currently doing so as a Master's student at the UH Department of Urban and Regional Planning. Studies have shown that giving incentives to transportation other than cars makes areas safer. While not a bicyclist myself, I support making it easier to bicycle.

This bill would make the area safer. Please vote for the bill as currently amended. If you have any further questions, feel free to ask.

Thank you for your time

Anthony Chang 1245 Maunakea St. #2310 Honolulu, HI 96817

Submitted on: 3/16/2019 4:03:17 AM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
John Bravender	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

This is a much better version of the bill. By adding funding for additional infrastructure, it allows more users to safely navigate the Capitol mall rather than prioritizing one group (pedestrians) over another (bicyclists). Separate walking and biking paths are nice, although there are numerous instances of successful multiuse paths throughout the city, such as through Ala Moana Beach Park or along Date Street adjacent to Ala Wai golf course. In fact, you have to look no farther than across Punchbowl to the Civic Center multiuse path, which this new route will connect to.

<u>HB-857-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/16/2019 7:01:52 AM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Dabney Gough	Individual	Support	No	

Comments:

Thank You for improving this important path for cyclists!

<u>HB-857-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/16/2019 7:04:58 AM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Gayle Hendrick- Messner	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please pass this bill to allow bicyclists to use SAFELY through downtown. No other path except Beretania and King St which has heavy traffic.

Submitted on: 3/16/2019 10:45:42 AM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kevin Wilcock	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,

As a daily commuter on my bicycle from Makaki to Downtown (Harbor Court Tower) I use the multi-modal path behid the State Capitol. It is a safe means of travel for both bicyclist and pedestrians and the planned improvements to provide seperate pdestrian and bicycle paths will make it even safer, which I support 110%.

Please include adaquate lighting as part of the improvements, during early morning hours before the sun rises there is no lighting of the current path at the section from the traffic light on Punchbowl up to the State Capitol.

Also, please consider banning the use of motorized skateboards.

Mahalo Nui Loa

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Submitted on: 3/18/2019 7:05:10 AM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Christopher Tipton	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,

I support this bill now that it would widen the paved area in front of the capital, allowing for safe transit of both cyclists and pedestrians.

Regards,

Chris Tipton



<u>HB-857-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/18/2019 5:09:07 AM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kaimana Brummel	Individual	Support	No

Comments:



Submitted on: 3/17/2019 10:39:58 PM Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sharleen Andrade	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I firmly support the development of a pedestian/cycling path in the corridor that connects Punchbowl and Richards Street between Iolani Palace and State Capital Building. Having a multi-modal path for pedestians and cyclist to use in this area will allow a safe and convenient safe path for all. Honolulu NEEDS to have connectivity for safe pedestrian and cycling public. In addition many visitors to our state also make use of this section by various means of transportation. Let's show the community and visitors that our city does it's best to provide safe paths of transportation for all. This is a well used corridor which showcases critical historical landmarks in our state. We have the opportunity to showcase this beautiful section of Honolulu. Perhaps open up a competition to high school students to submit designs etc. So the BEST way to see this section of Honolulu will be as a pedestrian or cyclist.



<u>HB-857-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/17/2019 8:11:25 PM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

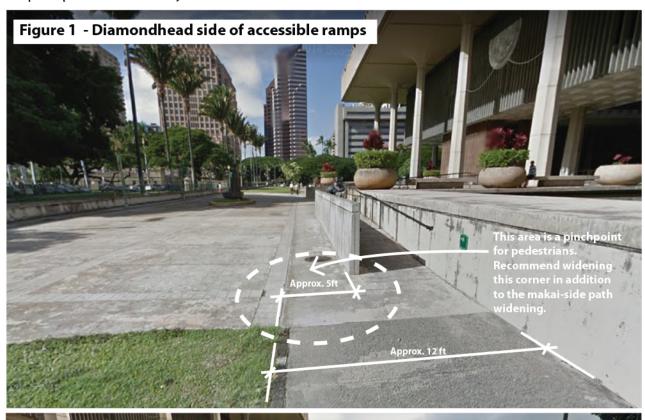
Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Laura Owen	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Shuochen Zheng Testimony Re: HB857 HD2 3/17/2019



As a pedestrian and a bicyclist, I cross the Capitol grounds every weekday on my way to work. Sometimes I take the bus and walk, other times I bike - biking to work help me stay healthy and be one less car on the road. I support a wider makai-side path (along the Iolani Palace fence) because it will provide more width for bicyclist and reduce potential conflict points between bicyclists and pedestrians. Striping and stenciling on the path w/ bicycle icon icon will help with alerting travel zones. In addition, I recommend the paths directly by the Capitol be widened at the corner of the ramps - see Figure 1 and 2 for pinchpoints. Mahalo for your consideration!







Submitted on: 3/17/2019 3:24:04 PM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Daphne Manago	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

I support of HB857, HD2. The amendment to improve and widen the civic center path is the right thing to do. More people will ride their bicycle in a safe environment and there will be less cars on our streets. We live in a beautiful state with perfect weather and we should promote a healthy lifestyle by commuting by bicycle whenever possible. I look forward to the day where people will feel safe riding their bicycles on the streets.



Submitted on: 3/18/2019 12:40:50 PM

Testimony for TRS on 3/18/2019 2:25:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
S. Schroeder	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I fully support this ammended bill HB857 in improving the bicycle path within the mall running east to west between Richards Street and Punchbowl Street.

I would like to request different wording of a part of Section 2:

"The expansion and development shall include widening the path no less than an additional eight feet; the application of appropriate lane markers; and posting of appropriate signage necessary to direct cyclists *and pedestrians to remain within their designated lanes*."

Education and awareness is important for pedestrians as well as cyclists.