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S.B. 1122 RELATING TO TRAFFIC SIGNALS ON THE PALI HIGHWAY.

Senate Committees on Transportation

The Department of Transportation **supports with an amendment** S.B. 1122 to appropriate \$5,200,000 for the design and construction of four signalized crosswalks on Pali Highway in Nuuanu provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities indicated in our Executive Budget.

We request the first paragraph in SECTION 2 be revised to read as follows:

The director of finance is authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the sum of \$5,200,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2019-2020 for the purpose of designing and installing signalized crosswalks and related pedestrian improvements at the four following intersections with unsignalized crosswalks:

- Ahipu'u street, where it intersects with the Pali highway;
- (2) Wood street, where it intersects with the Pali highway;
- (3) Dowsett avenue (lower), where it intersects with the Pali highway; and
- (4) Dowsett avenue (upper), where it intersects with the Pali highway.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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| Melodie Aduja | Testifying for O`ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai`i | Support | No |

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| Dylan P. Armstrong | Individual | Support | No |

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by Chad Taniguchi, Hawaii Bicycling League

In support of funding for traffic lights at unsignalized crosswalks on Pali Hwy:

Pali Hwy in Nuuanu is one of the most dangerous places for people who walk to cross the street, especially the elderly who often do not have enough time to beat speeding drivers while using unsignalized crosswalks.

I have the experience several years ago of seeing two shoes of an elderly woman remaining in the crosswalk while her body was tossed tens of yards further up the road. She was killed instantly.

Slowing drivers down is critical to saving lives and allowing everyone, to live their lives in peace.

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Everyone has the right to be safe on Hawaii's roads.
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