STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1754

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 0 8 , 2021

RE: S.C.R. No. 235 S.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 235, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO EVALUATE TRAFFIC CONGESTION, HIGHWAY FLOODING, AND ROAD SAFETY ISSUES ON HAWAI'I ISLAND,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of Transportation to evaluate traffic congestion, highway flooding, and road safety issues in the County of Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Transportation, two members of the Hawai'i County Council, Fair Wind Cruises, and two individuals.

Your Committee finds that the County of Hawaii is experiencing a growth in population, leading to an increase in traffic congestion. Certain roadways in the County of Hawaii suffer from on-going hazardous problems due not only to an increase in population, but the effects of climate change. For example, Kuakini Highway is prone to flooding and on multiple occasions has been closed as a result, causing concern for public safety. Your Committee further finds that traffic congestion can have a number of negative impacts on people, leading to significant emotional health effects, including an increase in



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stress and aggressiveness. This measure will improve traffic conditions in the County of Hawaii by looking at various ways to reduce traffic congestion, thereby improving the quality of life for residents and visitors of the County of Hawaii.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 235, S.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Transportation,



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Transportation

Bill/Resolution No.: SCAR 235 (SOL	Committee Referral: TRN, JHA		Date: 4/7/24		
□ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.					
The recommendation is to: Y Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Image: Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)					
TRN Members	s Aye	s Ayes (V	VR) Nays	Excused	
1. AQUINO, Henry J.C. (C)	Y				
2. ILAGAN, Greggor (VC)	7				
3. DeCOITE, Lynn					
4. HASHIMOTO, Troy N.					
5. KITAGAWA, Lisa		••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••••			
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TOTAL (8)	8				
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted If joint referral,					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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