
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT AND DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION TO STUDY THE POSSIBILITY OF A HIGHWAY PATROL
AND THE INSTALLATION OF SPEED CAMERAS ALONG MAJOR FREEWAYS
AND HIGHWAYS IN PRIMARY AREAS OF SPEEDING, INCLUDING THE
IMPACT IT WOULD HAVE ON THE DISTRICT COURTS.

1 WHEREAS, the increase in traffic congestion and speeding
2 throughout the State has heightened the risk of harm to drivers,
3 passengers, bicyclists, and pedestrians; and
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5 WHEREAS, according to state traffic data, speeding
6 continues to be the most common contributing factor in motor
7 vehicle fatalities; and
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9 WHEREAS, while local law enforcement is currently
10 responsible for managing driving behaviors on the State's
11 roadways and highways, these smaller agencies often do not have
12 the resources available to respond to each traffic safety issue
13 within their jurisdiction; and
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15 WHEREAS, to effectively curb excessive and dangerous
16 speeding, other states have sought collaborative efforts with a
17 variety of state departments including those with jurisdictions
18 over transportation, law enforcement, and engineering; and
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20 WHEREAS, where technology such as automated speed
21 enforcement systems has been implemented, state and local law
22 enforcement have been able to maximize the impact of scarce
23 resources in order to prevent speeding-related crashes; and
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25 WHEREAS, as statewide departments, the Department of Law
26 Enforcement and Department of Transportation have a greater
27 capacity for collaborative work to develop clearer traffic



1 safety designs than local law enforcement agencies; now,
2 therefore,

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4 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
5 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
6 of 2025, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Law
7 Enforcement and Department of Transportation are requested to
8 study the possibility of a highway patrol and the installation
9 of speed cameras along major freeways and highways in primary
10 areas of speeding, including the impact this measure would have
11 on the district courts; and

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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
14 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Law
15 Enforcement and Director of Transportation.

