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**SB3157, HD1**  
**RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION**

House Committee on Finance

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The Department of Transportation (DOT) submits comments on SB3157, HD1, relating to the Automated Speed Enforcement Systems Program Special Fund.

This bill proposes to amend Hawaii Revised Statutes sections 291C-161 and 291L-10 to modify the administration and financial structure of the Automated Speed Enforcement Systems (ASES) program special fund. Specifically, the bill removes county-specific expenditure restrictions that currently govern how locally collected fees are allocated within the fund. It also requires that unencumbered and unexpended moneys in excess of \$25,000,000 remaining in the fund as of June 30 each year

The DOT supports the goal of ensuring greater fiscal accountability and transparency within the ASES Program Special Fund. The proposed lapse provision, which directs excess fund balances above \$25,000,000 to the general fund, may promote responsible stewardship of public revenues generated through the program.

Regarding the removal of county-specific expenditure restrictions, the DOT acknowledges that this change may offer greater flexibility in deploying ASES Program resources where they are most needed statewide.

With respect to the mandatory five-year procurement reissuance requirement, the DOT notes that while periodic competitive procurement can promote cost efficiency and encourage innovation in speed enforcement technology, it may also introduce operational uncertainty and increase transitional costs.

The Department of Transportation remains committed to working with the Legislature to refine this measure and ensure that the ASES Program continues to serve as an effective tool in reducing speed-related fatalities and injuries on Hawaii's roadways.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments on this bill.

**SB-3157-HD-1**

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
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Comments:

I oppose this bill. Stop the money grab. No more cameras.