

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2259

Honolulu, Hawaii

**FEB 13 2026**

RE: S.B. No. 2955  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2026  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred S.B. No. 2955 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HONOAPIILANI HIGHWAY COASTAL MITIGATION PROJECT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriate funds to finance capital improvements for the Honoapiilani Highway coastal mitigation project.

Your Committee did not receive any testimony on this measure.

Your Committee finds that the Honoapiilani Highway is the sole continuous motor vehicle access connecting West Maui to the rest of the island. Consequently, it is indispensable for the movement of residents, goods, emergency services, and essential supplies, including supplies critical to the reconstruction of Lahaina. Your Committee further finds that a segment of the Honoapiilani Highway lies at or near mean sea level and is chronically vulnerable to coastal hazards which cause roadway damage and temporary closures that disrupt the flow of people and material. This measure will finance the relocation of this segment further inland to support the safety, health, and economic well-being of Maui residents.



Your Committee has amended this measure by making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2955, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2955, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

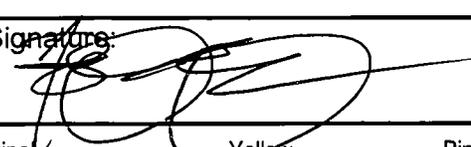
Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Transportation,

  
LORRAINE R. INOUE, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-Third Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Transportation**  
**TRS**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 2955</b>	Committee Referral: <b>TRS, WAM</b>	Date: <b>02/10/26</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (C)	✓			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. (VC)	✓			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	✓			
LEE, Chris	✓			
DECORTE, Samantha	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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\*Only one measure per Record of Votes