

Honolulu, Hawaii
MAR 30 , 2026

RE: S.B. No. 3029
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred S.B. No. 3029, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require:

- (1) Each county, in collaboration with the Hawaii Community Development Authority, to establish a Summer Streets Pilot Program that temporarily closes vehicular traffic and repurposes roads for pedestrian and cyclist uses; and
- (2) The Hawaii Community Development Authority to submit a report to the Legislature regarding the Summer Streets Pilot Program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Health; Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization; one member of the Hawai'i County Council; Department of Transportation Services of the City and County of Honolulu; Hawai'i Bicycling League; Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law & Economic Justice; Better Block Hawai'i; and five individuals. Your



Committee received comments on this measure from the Hawai'i Community Development Authority.

Your Committee finds that streets and public spaces play an important role in supporting vibrant, healthy, and connected communities. Temporarily repurposing streets for pedestrian and bicycle use, outdoor activities, and community events can encourage physical activity, strengthen neighborhood engagement, and support local businesses. This measure provides for a Summer Streets Pilot Program to temporarily repurpose selected roads into safer, more accessible public spaces that encourage physical activity, strengthen community connections, support local businesses, and promote more sustainable and people-centered use of public space.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the Summer Streets Pilot Program shall be established in one county with a population of no greater than three hundred thousand, to be selected by the Hawaii Community Development Authority;
- (2) Authorizing the county to consult with the Department of Health regarding best practices for developing the pilot program;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000, to encourage further discussion; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

Your Committee respectfully requests your Committee on Finance, should it deliberate on this measure, to consider the costs necessary for the Summer Streets Pilot Program.

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. 3029, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3029, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.



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



DARIUS KILA, Chair



