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SCR 142 – REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ASSESS THE INCIDENCE OF ALCOHOL-RELATED MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS AND ASSOCIATED MEDICAL COSTS.

Chairs Nishihara and Green, Vice Chairs Harimoto and Wakai, and members of the Committees:

The University of Hawai'i supports this resolution, intended to provide a census of alcohol-related motor vehicle accidents and the medical costs associated with them.

The school stands ready to cooperate and assist in the evaluation, as called for in the resolution.

We believe that the measure will provide data which can help the State assess and maintain an appropriate level of trauma care providers, services and resources in support of this critical health care problem throughout Hawai'i.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this resolution.