

**Strategies To Address O'ahu's Increased Traffic
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SUBJECT: Information Briefing Strategies to Address Oahu's Increased Traffic Fatalities and Increase Roadway Safety – **COMMENTS**

Aloha Chair Cordero and Councilmembers,

Thank you for allowing testimony on the discussion item related to traffic safety presented by the state's director of transportation, Ed Sniffen.

As you know, the state has installed many speed humps around the island. Some of these speed humps are dangerous for bicyclists, moped drivers and motorcyclists. For example, while riding my bike toward Kailua on Kalaniana'ole Hwy., I was afraid I was going to wipe out due to a speed hump in the downhill direction in front of the women's prison. There was nowhere for me to go but over the hump, and I had to be careful not to hit my brakes too hard.

In addition, the state is not following federal guidelines when it installs speed humps. (See Sec. 3.10 at <https://highways.dot.gov/safety/speed-management/traffic-calming-eprimer/module-3-part-2#3.10>.)

Also note that speed humps slow down our emergency responders.

Please do not use the state as an example of how to handle roadway safety.