

March 24, 2008

Senator J. Kalani English, Chair, Transportation and International Affairs Committee
Senator Clayton Hee; Chair, Water and Land Committee

Room 224 at 2:00 pm on Monday, 24 March 2008

Support of HB 2917, HD2

My name is David Oya and I represent Hawaii Tuna, Inc. Hawaii Tuna owns and operates the fishing vessel Nisei, one of the last aku fishing boats working in our Hawaiian Waters.

Nisei works out of Kewalo Basin, but frequently enters Honolulu Harbor to offload fish, obtain supplies and temporarily moor when inclement weather forces the closure of Kewalo Basin.

Passage of HB 2917 is critical to ensure that we are not charged by two different state agencies in order to continue to perform our operations in Kewalo and Honolulu Harbor.

Thank you for your support of our state's fishing industry.

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My name is Mark Delventhal and I represent P&R Water Taxi, LLC. P&R owns and operates six commercial vessels that are either operated out of Honolulu Harbor or Kewalo Basin.

All of these vessels frequently travel between Honolulu Harbor and Kewalo Basin to pick up supplies, have work performed and to temporarily moor when inclement weather forces the closure of Kewalo Basin.

Passage of HB 2917 is critical to ensure that we are not charged by two different state agencies when we perform our operations in Kewalo and Honolulu Harbor.

Thank you for your support of our state's maritime industry.

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