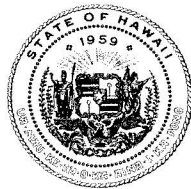


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SENATE BILL NO. 1224, SD1, HD1,  
RELATING TO AIRPORT CONCESSIONS.

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** this bill.

The House Committee on Transportation replaced the contents of this bill with HB 1388, HD1. The DOT opposed HB 1388, HD1. However, the House Committee on Transportation also made significant amendments, which has resulted in this current draft (SB 1224, SD1, HD1). In light of these significant amendments, the DOT now supports this bill.

In addition, the DOT and the concessionaires are continuing discussions on the subject, including concerns raised by the Airlines Committee of Hawaii. The DOT asks that the bill be passed to encourage those discussions to continue.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.