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**RE: Proposed SB2611 - Relating to Vital Statistics**

The City and County of Honolulu supports SB2611, which would require the department of health, within six weeks of the last day of each month and at no charge, to provide each county's real property assessment division a list of all persons age eighteen and older whose deaths were recorded by the department during the previous month.

Under existing law, only the county clerks of each county are provided with a list of citizens of voting age or older whose deaths have been recorded in the department, for purposes of removing the name of any registered voter from the general county register. The county clerks are precluded by the State from sharing the list with any other county agencies or using it for any other purpose.

One additional change that we are requesting is to include the following or similar language in the proposed bill: "If the reported information of a deceased citizen matches the information of more than one taxpayer on a county's property assessment database and that county's real property assessment division notifies the department of health of that problem, the department of health shall provide the full social security number of that deceased taxpayer."

We respectfully urge your approval of this proposed amendment and thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

Sincerely,

  
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Administrator  
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