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SB 2942 HD1 RELATING TO THE ALOHA TOWER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

MAR LABRADOR CHAIR HAWAII HARBORS USERS GROUP

MARCH 15, 2010

Chair Ito and Members of the House Committee on Water, Land &

Ocean Resources:

I am Mar Labrador, testifying on behalf of the Hawaii Harbors Users Group (HHUG), on SB 2942 HD1, "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ALOHA TOWER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION."

The Hawaii Harbor Users Group (HHUG) is a non-profit maritime transportation industry group comprised of the following key harbor users: Matson Navigation Company, Horizon Lines, LLC, Young Brothers/Hawaii Tug & Barge, Norwegian Cruse Line, Sause Brothers Inc., Aloha Cargo Transport (ACT), Hawaii Stevedores, McCabe Hamilton & Renny Stevedores, Hawaii Superferry, Tesoro Hawaii Corporation, The Gas Company, Ameron Hawaii, Hawaiian Cement, American Marine, Kapolei Property Development, and the Hawaii Pilots Association. As an island State, Hawaii is very dependent upon our commercial harbors to ensure the continued and unimpeded movement of cargo in and out of our State. At present, it is estimated that 98% of Hawaii's imported goods pass through our harbors including consumer goods, motor vehicles, construction materials, and fuel. Given the critical role of Hawaii's harbors, it is imperative that the State provide harbor infrastructure and services to support dependable and efficient cargo transportation and handling industries to service our residents and businesses.

In light of the looming shortage of port facilities in Hawaii due to the significant growth in intra and interstate cargo over the past twenty years, the State is in the process of implementing a statewide Harbors Modernization Plan (HMP) to construct much needed harbor infrastructure improvements. At present, the Aloha Tower Development Corporation (ATDC) is statutorily authorized to implement the HMP. If the State abolishes the ATDC, HHUG believes it imperative that another entity be empowered with the jurisdiction and responsibility to continue the coordination and implementation of the HMP.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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March 15, 2010

The Honorable Ken Ito, Chair and Member Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources State House of Representatives State Capitol, Room 325 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Ito, and Members:

Subject: Senate Bill No. SB 2942, SD2, HD1, Relating to the Aloha Tower Development Corporation

My name is Lance Wilhelm, President of the Hawaii Developers' Council (HDC). We represent over 200 members and associates in development-related industries. The mission of Hawaii Developers' Council (HDC) is to educate developers and the public regarding land, construction and development issues through public forums, seminars and publications.

It is also the goal of HDC to promote high ethics and community responsibility in real estate development and related trades and professions.

The purpose of this measure is to reorganize the administration and function of certain state agencies to maximize efficiencies by:

- Establishing a task force to determine the feasibility and economic impacts of abolishing the Aloha Tower development Corporation (ATDC) and transferring various functions of ATDC to the Hawaii community development authority and the department of transportation.
- Requires a report from the Task Force with findings and recommendations be submitted prior to the 2012 session.
- Appropriating an unspecified sum for consultant services to implement the commercial harbors modernization plan.

The original intent of the bill was to reexamine and adjust the structure of state government to ensure that all state functions are performed as efficiently as possible in the current unfavorable financial and economic crisis. The Legislature believes that it can achieve efficiencies by transferring the functions of the Aloha Tower Development Corporation to the Hawaii Community Development Authority without unnecessarily delaying any of the needed improvements to the State's harbors.

We support the need to consolidate and restructure government in order to save money and provide for more efficiency in government operations. However, unlike other government functions, the HCDA and ATDC are responsible for enhancing the state's real estate assets under their control. It is questionable how much more efficiency will be gained or funds saved by simply consolidating two separate and unique entities into one.

A more objective approach would be for the legislature to identify the primary role of State Government, and eliminate programs or functions that fall outside of the basis "core" functions of state government. We would encourage a more comprehensive approach to achieve real efficiency and savings rather than consolidation of one or more agencies.

Thank you for this opportunity to express our views.