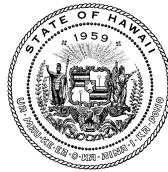


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TESTIMONY  
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TO THE  
SENATE COMMITTEES  
ON  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY  
AND  
WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS  
ON  
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S.C.R. 224

REQUESTING AN UPDATE AND PRESENTATION ON THE STADIUM  
AUTHORITY'S EFFORTS TO TRANSFER THE RECREATIONAL USE  
RESTRICTION FROM THE STADIUM FACILITIES AND LANDS TO AN  
ALTERNATIVE STATE PARCEL.

Chair Fukunaga, Chair Hee, and members of the Committees, thank you for the opportunity to testify on S.C.R. 224.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) will be happy to provide an update and presentation to the Legislature on the Stadium Authority's efforts to transfer the recreational use restriction from the Stadium facilities and lands to an alternative State parcel. However, there may not be substantial information to report on June 30, 2010. A date closer to the end of November may be better.

Discussions between DAGS and DLNR and the US Department of the Interior have progressed through the identification of parcels on three on the State's islands and are now narrowed down to a short list. The next steps are for the US DOI and the State

to perform appraisals of all of the potential properties as well as the Stadium, and for the State to develop recreational plans for the proposed parcels for exchange.

DAGS and DLNR will be selecting appraisers as well as consultants to develop the recreational plans. This follows concurrence that DAGS received from the Stadium Authority to expend funds out of the Stadium special fund to cover the costs. The basis of the Stadium Authority's concurrence is their benefit from the lifting of the recreational use restriction if agreement can be reached between DAGS, DLNR, and the US DOI.

The process has taken into consideration the schedule of the US DOI, which is also reviewing, with DAGS and DLNR, the easement requirements of the transit infrastructure, including a station and park and ride arrangement along Kamehameha Highway.

DAGS is planning to have all of the documents and approvals ready as soon as practical. It is just not likely to be done by June 30. We will be happy to update the Legislature and make a presentation when everything's done.

Thank you for allowing me to testify on this matter.

**LATE**

Senator Clayton Hee, Chair  
Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs  
Senator Carol Fukunaga, Chair  
Economic Development and Technology

Senators Hee and Fukunaga and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this written testimony on **S. C. R. 224 requesting for an update and presentation on the Stadium Authority's efforts to transfer the recreational use restriction from the Stadium facilities and lands to an alternative State parcel.**

The community organizations of the `Aiea Community Association and the Friends of the Pearl Harbor Historic Trail are concerned about any efforts to transfer the recreational use restriction from the Stadium facilities and lands. Any possible plans for redevelopment should be done in conjunction with the community at large and with transparency. Any discussions for redevelopment or for that matter any future use of the Stadium and surrounding lands should engage the impacted community organizations, entities that do business in the area and surrounding residents. Information from governmental agencies regarding the impacts of any change in use and analysis of the current usage would also be welcomed so impacted parties can make informed decisions.

We have not been contacted or even given notice that there is any potential change in plans for usage of the area. There are many mitigating factors, such as noise, traffic flow and congestion, economic opportunities, that need to be explored further. We feel that any decision to transfer the recreational use restriction from the Stadium facilities and lands is premature and not in the best interests of our community.

Thank you for accepting my testimony regarding this matter.

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Chair Fukunaga, Chair Hee, and members of the Committees, thank you for the opportunity to testify on S.C.R. 224.

The Stadium Authority appreciates the effort that the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) has made toward our commitment to transfer the recreational use restriction from the Stadium facilities and land to an alternate State parcel.

The Stadium Authority has in the past rejected several events that have come before us due to the deed restrictions that are in placed on used of the stadium property. In order to alleviate this situation, of approving an event on a case by case basis, the Stadium Authority decided to approve a motion to ask the State Comptroller, Russ Saito, to move forward and submit a formal proposal to the United States Department of Interior towards the lifting of the Deed Restriction on the Aloha Stadium property.



The Stadium Authority is also aware by the lifting of the Deed Restriction; the land that sits under the Aloha Stadium may be developed for commercial uses. As of this time, the Stadium Authority has not discussed any private/ public development of this property.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.