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VIA EMAIL: ERBtestimony@Capitol.hawaii.gov
The Honorable Angus L. K. McKelvey, Chair,
The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Chair,
and Members of the Committees on Economic
Revitalization & Business and Transportation
House of Representatives
Hawaii State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chairs McKelvey, Souki, and Representatives:

Subject: HB 260 Relating to Procurement
Committees on Economic Revitalization & Business and
Transportation
Tuesday, February 1, 2011 at 8:30 A.M.

Please find the attached testimony relating to the above-referenced bill.

If you should have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at
768-8343.

Sincerely,


Kenneth T. Hamayasu
Deputy Director

Attachment

PRESENTATION OF
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES
CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEES ON
ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION & BUSINESS
AND
TRANSPORTATION
TWENTY-SIXTH STATE LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 2011
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2011
8:30 A.M.
TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL NO. 260
RELATING TO PROCUREMENT

THE HONORABLE ANGUS L.K. McKELVEY, CHAIR
THE HONORABLE JOSEPH M. SOUKI, CHAIR
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON
ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION & BUSINESS:

THE HONORABLE ISAAC W. CHOY, VICE CHAIR,
THE HONORABLE LINDA ICHIYAMA, VICE-CHAIR
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON
TRANSPORTATION:

The Department of Transportation Services, City and County of Honolulu, appreciates the opportunity to testify on House Bill 260 Relating to Procurement. I am Toru Hamayasu, Deputy Director of the Department's Rapid Transit Division. The Department supports House Bill 260.

On November 2, 2010, the voters of the City & County of Honolulu approved an amendment to the City Charter to establish a semi-autonomous public transit authority responsible for the planning, construction, operation, maintenance, and expansion of the City's fixed guideway mass transit system.

The transit authority, known officially as the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART), will provide for timely and efficient management of the rail transit system, with sound principles and objectives for project delivery. HART would manage the rail transit system's budget and fares, and it would be required to properly maintain the agency's financial status. It would also work hand-in-hand with the City Council and include the public in crucial issues such as setting fares and adopting a budget, further enhancing transparency and accountability.

House Bill 260 would implement the City Charter by allowing the director of HART to act as a procurement officer for the City and County of Honolulu to oversee contracts related to the Honolulu Rail Transit project.

Thank you for giving us the opportunity to work with you to carry out the wishes of the electorate of the City and County of Honolulu and ensure that the Honolulu Rail Transit project is executed in an effective and efficient manner. I will be happy to answer any questions that the members of the Committee may have.