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Representative Angus L.K. McKelvey, Chair Representative Isaac W. Choy, Vice Chair Committee on Economic Revitalization & Business

Hearing:

Thursday, January 26, 2012

8:30 am; Room 312

Position:

Support in Principle HB 2311 Relating to Liquor Licenses

The Liquor Commission, City and County of Honolulu ("Commission"), **supports in principle** HB 2311 and provides comments.

This bill seeks to establish a presumption of a pattern of noise, disturbance, misconduct, or disorder that could subject a licensee to liquor license suspension or revocation upon the fourth substantiated complaint to the Commission during any 60-day period. While we support in principle any legislation that will assist the Liquor Commission in dealing with licensees that habitually and unreasonably disturb the health, welfare, or safety of area residents, we anticipate that licensees will strenuously object to the bill in its present form. Accordingly, we respectfully reserve further comment on this bill pending further revision responsive to licensees' testimony in opposition to its passage.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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