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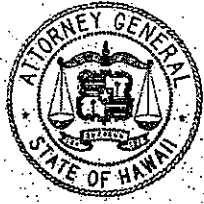
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

April 3, 2012, 2:00 p.m.
Room 308, State Capitol

In consideration of
S.B. 2927, S.D. 2, H.D. 1
RELATING TO COMMUNITY PLANNING.

The HHFDC ***supports the intent*** of S.B. 2927, S.D. 2, H.D. 1. This measure facilitates residential development in mixed use neighborhoods in urban districts. This type of development can result in housing costs that are more affordable and sustainable, encourages higher density development or redevelopment around bus or rail stations, and reduces urban sprawl.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony on this bill.



**TESTIMONY OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2012**

ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

S.B. NO. 2927, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, RELATING TO COMMUNITY PLANNING.

BEFORE THE:

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

DATE: Tuesday, April 3, 2012

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

LOCATION: State Capitol, Room 308

TESTIFIER(S): David M. Louie, Attorney General, or
Lori N. Tanigawa, Deputy Attorney General

Chair Oshiro and Members of the Committee:

The Department of the Attorney General offers the following comments on this measure.

Section 46-F on page 6, lines 12 to 17, of the bill provides:

§46-F State incentives; exemptions. Subject to rules adopted pursuant to sections 46-H and 46-J, exceptional planning projects approved by the legislature shall be exempt from all state fees associated with land development; provided that approval for the exemption is granted by the state agency that would otherwise receive the fee.

It is unclear whether the Legislature intends to subject state agencies to rules that may be adopted by the various counties pursuant to sections 46-H and 46-J. Although state agencies are not ordinarily bound by rules or laws promulgated by the counties, the Legislature may expressly require state agencies to comply with such rules or laws. Accordingly, we recommend that the Legislature clarify whether it intends to require state agencies to comply with any rules the various counties may enact pursuant to sections 46-H and 46-J.

In addition, we note that it is unnecessary to provide for a fee exemption if the fee exemption is subject to a state agency's approval. If, however, this provision is intended to vest state agencies who otherwise lack the power to grant fee exemptions with the authority to grant fee exemptions, the bill should be amended to provide this. In this regard, the wording might be amended to read as follows:

Subject to rules adopted pursuant to sections 46-H and 46-J, state agencies may grant exemptions from state fees associated with the development of exceptional planning projects approved by the legislature.

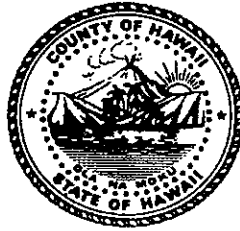
Section 46-G on page 6, lines 18 to 22, of the bill provides that, "subject to rules adopted pursuant to sections 46-H and 46-J, exceptional planning projects approved by the legislative body shall receive exemptions from the zone change process and compliance with zoning standards." This proposed section is entitled, "County incentives; exemptions." If the intent is to authorize exemptions from county zoning requirement only, we recommend that the wording be amended to read as follows:

Subject to rules adopted pursuant to sections 46-H and 46-J, exceptional planning projects approved by the legislative body shall receive exemptions from the respective county's zone change process and zoning standards.

Unless amended, the current language might be interpreted to provide an exemption from state zoning rules as well. For instance, the Hawaii Community Development Authority ("HCDA") is vested with, among other things, zoning powers within designated community development districts. If an exceptional planning project is located within a community development district over which HCDA has jurisdiction, it should be made clear that the exceptional planning project complies with HCDA rules.

We respectfully recommend that the Committee make the suggested amendments.

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April 2, 2012

TESTIMONY OF DENNIS "FRESH" ONISHI
HAWAI'I COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER
ON

SB 2927, SD2, HD1, RELATING TO COMMUNITY PLANNING
House Committee on Finance
April 3, 2012, 2:00 p.m.
Conference Room 308

Dear Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee, and Members of the House Committee on Finance:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of Senate Bill No. 2927, SD2, HD1.

This bill establishes planning districts and creates a process for developers to apply for residential and commercial exceptional planning projects and authorizes state and county incentives for these projects. It also provides for the establishment of transit-oriented or main-street redevelopment programs and establishes a discretionary review process for the transfer of floor area within the planning district.

Reducing the up-front costs will encourage redevelopment and reinvestment on the lands adjacent to public transportation stations. This measure would facilitate the creation of mixed-use neighborhoods around these hubs, where jobs and retail shopping are incorporated with housing. This fits the vision we have for our Downtown Hilo Commercial District, as a vibrant community and gathering place where people can live, work and play. If adopted, this Bill will provide the tools needed for our Planning Departments to further this vision.

I respectfully ask for your support for SB2927, SD2, HD1, and thank you again for the opportunity to submit testimony.

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April 3, 2012

The Honorable Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair
and Members of the Committee on
Finance
State House of Representatives
Hawaii State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Oshiro and Members:

**Subject: Senate Bill No. 2927, SD2, HD1
Related to Community Planning**

The Department of Planning and Permitting **supports** Senate Bill No. 2927, SD2, HD1. We appreciate the State's interest in land development, particularly around rail transit stations or transit-oriented development, to promote community development and transit ridership.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely yours,

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David K. Tanoue, Director
Department of Planning and Permitting

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

April 3, 2012, 2:00 P.M.
(*Testimony is 1 page long*)

TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SB 2927 (SD2, HD1)

Aloha Chairs Oshiro and Committee Members -

The Sierra Club, Hawai'i Chapter, with 10,000 dues-paying members and supporters, *opposes* SB 2927 (SD2). While we support the intent of sparking urban growth, this bill prioritizes the elimination of the public voice as a means to expedite growth.

Fundamentally, the best growth for Hawaii will occur because of collaboration and a shared vision of the future, not because some development projects were rushed or "automatically approved" over objections.

This bill requires action by the planning agency and legislative body to disapprove a developer's application within forty-five days. Big developments sometimes require additional discussion. This short of a time frame -- even assuming legislative bodies meet frequently enough to meet this schedule -- only harms the public and creates bad projects that fail to adequately analyze traffic impacts, infrastructure needs, or community input.

This measure violates the constitution by attempting to restrict any lawsuit against the county for improperly approving a proposed project in contravention of the law. Hawai'i Supreme Court decisions have already determined that residents have a constitutional protected right to a clean environment, which includes land use regulatory laws.

Finally, the "Floor Area Ratio Transfer" concept is antithetical to good planning if widely adopted (and concentrating growth in an unintended fashion), but presumably a county good keep the application of the program to very limited areas.

In short, this bill is motivated by a good intent -- to direct growth to the urban core -- but it pursues a philosophy that the Sierra Club believes is contrary to smart growth and the aloha spirit. We believe the public must be involved in shaping its future. Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony.



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April 1, 2012

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The Honorable Representative Marcus Oshiro, Chair
House Committee on Finance
Hawai'i State Capitol
Honolulu, HI 96813

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RE: Testimony in strong opposition to SB 2927 SD 2 HD1 relating to Community Planning

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The intent of this bill is to exempt state and county projects from important and established regulatory oversight and vital environmental protection. Through a "fast track" development process for any state or county lands SB 2927 SD2 HD1 exempts and bypasses:

Diane Harding
Treasurer

- established land use zoning and re-zoning regulations
- environmental reviews that protect our communities and the environment
- State development impact fees (HRS 264-123) including those for schools and public facilities needed to support high-density residential development;

Heather Shank
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SB 2927 SD2 HD1 mandates that the counties shall provide additional "fast track" development incentives, yet these remain undefined and open to speculation. It restricts the counties' review and decision on any proposed planning district development to 45 days and restricts the 2-month county legislative process review for projects approved by the development agency to 45 days - with automatic "approval" if this deadline is not met. And it denies public due process and the constitutional right of judicial review for "exceptional" development decisions.

Alexandra Avery
Advisor

Jo Ann Best
Advisor

This measure dictates county planning, ignores county general plans, area development plans and established community plans, and is a virtual free ticket to development that could indeed pave the way for unfettered vertical sprawl in some very unintended and protected areas.

Paula Ress
Advisor

Marcy Fleming
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This measure enables the State and counties, along with private interests, to engage in the proliferation of high-density development that will encroach upon and strangle our island's open shorelines and recreational areas, marine resources and coastal ecosystems, and scenic open space and historic resources.

BRANCHES

East Honolulu (O'ahu)

SB 2927 SD2 HD1, is an attempt to undermine laws protecting our finite resources and unique environment. Instead it side-steps logical and coordinated planning and zoning, curtails public input and creates high density nodes within otherwise orderly planned and developed communities. It promotes massive development at the cost of the quality of life of our residents and threatens the visitor industry, on which virtually our entire economy depends.

Kane'ohe (O'ahu)

Kapolei (O'ahu)

Passing this legislation is the wrong thing to do for Hawaii. On behalf of thousands of members of The Outdoor Circle we strongly urge you to stop this legislation today.

Kaua'i

Kona (Hawai'i)

Lani-Kailua (O'ahu)

Bob Loy
Interim CEO and Director of Environmental Programs

Maui

North Shore (O'ahu)

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April 2, 2012

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Rep. Marcus Oshiro, Chair
Rep. Marilyn Lee, Vice Chair

SB 2927 SD2 HD1
RELATING TO COMMUNITY PLANNING

Committee Chairs and Members:

Hawaii's Thousand Friends, a statewide non-profit land and water use organization, opposes SB 2927 SD2 HD1 that establishes a "fast track" process to facilitate commercial and residential development of an "exceptional level" on land adjacent to public transportation stations and centers.

Hawaii's residents and businesses deserve certainty in state and county land use planning and zoning laws and processes. County General Plans and Oahu Development and Sustainable Community Plans are in place to provide orderly and directed growth. If approved "exceptional planning projects" would act outside of and contrary to these processes, laws and Plans.

SB 2927 SD2 HD1 is anything but community planning. Instead it makes a mockery of existing county planning and zoning processes by allowing an overlay of "exceptional planning projects" that (1) are exempt from all state fees associated with land development, (2) are exempt from zone change processes and compliance with zoning standards and (3) curtail public participation by requiring planning departments and county councils to act within 45-days which limits the number of committee meetings and public hearings.

To preserve community participation and orderly and coordinated land use planning and development this anti-planning, anti-zoning and anti-public participation bill must be held in committee.



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COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Rep. Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair
Rep. Marilyn B. Lee, Vice Chair

DATE: Tuesday, April 03, 2012
TIME: 2:00 P.M.
PLACE: Conference Room 308
BILL: SB 2927, SD2, HD1

OPPOSE

Aloha Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee Members of the Committee

My name is Henry Curtis and I am the Executive Director of Life of the Land, Hawai'i's own energy, environmental and community action group advocating for the people and `aina for four decades. Our mission is to preserve and protect the life of the land through sound energy and land use policies and to promote open government through research, education, advocacy and, when necessary, litigation.

SB 2927 proposes to exempt development projects from adequate review and to minimize public input.

We can have a diversified economy and a strong environment.



**Testimony to the House Committee on Finance
Tuesday, April 3, 2012
2:00 p.m.
State Capitol - Conference Room 308
Agenda #1**

SENATE BILL NO. 2927 SD2, HD1 RELATING TO COMMUNITY PLANNING

Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee, and members of the committees:

The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii supports the intent of S.B. No. 2927 SD2 HD 1. The bill proposes to establish planning districts and create a process for developers to apply for residential and commercial exceptional planning projects. The bill also proposes to establish the transit-oriented or main-street redevelopment program and authorizes state and county incentives for exceptional planning projects. Finally, it establishes a discretionary review process for the transfer of floor area within the planning district.

The Chamber is the largest business organization in Hawaii, representing more than 1,000 businesses. Approximately 80% of our members are small businesses with less than 20 employees. As the "Voice of Business" in Hawaii, the organization works on behalf of its members, which employ more than 200,000 individuals, to improve the state's economic climate and to foster positive action on issues of common concern.

Oahu's rail transit system has drawn increased scrutiny as the project gets closer to actual construction. We believe that healthy discussion is essential in matters dealing with the future of Honolulu both financially and from a quality of life standpoint. What appears lost in the most recent discussion is that rail transit, in most successful cities, is essentially a "growth management tool." It allows a city to grow and provide housing and employment opportunities for the next generation of citizens without sprawl. It also preserves open space by focusing development back into the urban core. It also gives residents a choice or alternatives for commuting.

As drafted, the bill proposes to increase density in and around identified rail and bus transit stations or centers. We understand that the underlying objective is to increase ridership for these public transit alternatives by increasing density in and around the stations. Other incentives are included in the bill. We also note that the legislation has received support from various county agencies responsible for transit and the future development around transit stations. We too support the bill as a vehicle for further discussions on development of vibrant communities with the rail and bus transit projects.

Thank you for this opportunity to express our views.

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GENERAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF HAWAII

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April 3, 2012

TO: HONORABLE REPRESENTATIVES MARCUS OSHIRO, CHAIR, MARILYN LEE,
VICE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF S.B 2927, SD2, HD1, RELATING TO COMMUNITY PLANNING.** Establishes planning districts and creates a process for developers to apply for residential and commercial exceptional planning projects. Establishes the transit-oriented or main-street redevelopment program. Authorizes state and county incentives for exceptional planning projects. Establishes a discretionary review process for the transfer of floor area within the planning district. Effective July 1, 2050. (SB2927 HD1)

HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, April 3, 2012
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 308

Dear Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair M. Lee and Members of the Committee:

The General Contractors Association (GCA) is an organization comprised of over six hundred (600) general contractors, subcontractors, and construction related firms. The GCA was established in 1932 and is celebrating its 80th anniversary this year; GCA remains the largest construction association in the State of Hawaii whose mission is to represent its members in all matters related to the construction industry, while improving the quality of construction and protecting the public interest. GCA is in support of S.B. 2927, SD2, HD1, Relating to Community Planning.

This bill proposes to create Community Planning districts to allow counties to create county transit-oriented development programs, establish planning districts, and create a process for developers to initiate exceptional planning projects. Further, this measure proposes incentives for parties interested in developing a transit-oriented or main-street redevelopment project and allows the counties to promulgate rules to implement such planning districts. The purpose and intent of this measure is to facilitate high quality commercial and residential development by establishing planning districts on land adjacent to public transportation stations and centers that will promote neighborhood reinvestment, using an expedited process to reduce up-front costs. This bill will promote sustainable, walkable, car-free and environmentally friendly neighborhoods, where people will be abandoning their cars and opting to ride public transportation.

GCA supports this innovative planning concept which aims to encourage private investment and address the much needed coordination between the city and state entities to bring projects to fruition. In cities across the nation, through redevelopment and the implementation of smart growth principles, cities are reducing their dependence on foreign resources and encouraging use of public transportation. S.B. 2927, SD2, HD1 provides a blueprint for the development of urban projects that will help encourage use of public transportation.

Opponents to this measure may argue that this bill does not allow proper public participation, however the county council process in all counties practice transparent and open meetings, whereby the public will have ample time to participate and express concerns prior to approval of any exceptional planning progress. Additionally, the bill allows for the counties to promulgate rules regarding exemptions and standards in developing such an exceptional planning project. Therefore, this bill would allow counties to, with the public's help, create the framework that will govern the development of such exceptional projects. In turn, these projects will create more innovative neighborhoods and reduce urban sprawl.

For these reasons, we support S.B. 2927, SD2, HD1 and respectfully request this Committee to pass this measure.

Thank you for this opportunity to share our views on this matter.

The Pacific Resource
PARTNERSHIP



Testimony of C. Mike Kido
External Affairs
The Pacific Resource Partnership

House Committee on Finance
Representative Marcus Oshiro, Chair
Representative Marilyn Lee, Vice Chair

SB 2927, SD2, HD1 – Relating to Community Planning
Tuesday, April 3, 2012
2:00 PM
Conference Room 308

Aloha Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee and Members of the Committee:

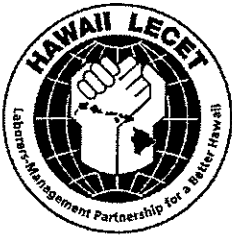
My name is C. Mike Kido, External Affairs of the Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP), a labor-management consortium representing over 240 signatory contractors and the Hawaii Regional Council of Carpenters, formerly the Hawaii Carpenters Union.

PRP strongly supports legislation which promotes smart growth and thus, support SB 2927, SD2, HD1 – Relating to Community Planning which establishes planning districts and creates a process for developers to apply for residential and commercial exceptional planning projects. The measure also establishes the transit-oriented or main-street redevelopment program and authorizes state and county incentives for exceptional planning projects and establishes a discretionary review process for the transfer of floor area within the planning district.

This measure allows for the exemption of state fees provided that it is approved by the agency which receives the fee, and allows an exemption from the environmental assessments as determined by the county or rules and the redevelopment project is in an area with existing infrastructure. County incentives would be developed and subject to rules and would require the counties to develop rules for the criteria of incentives, consideration of existing land usage, and assurances for a fair and equitable application process.

Rail Transit and Transit Oriented Development (TOD) will help reduce traffic congestion, urban sprawl, and vehicle emissions. Rail and TOD will create sorely needed jobs and affordable housing --improving our economy and quality of life for Hawaii residents.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our views with you and we respectfully ask for your support on SB 2927, SD2, HD1.



Testimony of Maurice Morita
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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
Tuesday, April 3, 2012
2:00 p.m., Conference Room 308

SB 2927,SD2,HD1 - RELATING TO COMMUNITY PLANNING

Aloha Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee, and Members of the Committee:

My name is Maurice Morita and I am the assistant director of Hawaii LECET (Laborers-Employers Cooperation and Education Trust). Hawaii LECET is a partnership between the Hawaii Laborers' Union, Local 368 and our union contractors.

The Hawaii LECET **“supports”** SB 2927, SD2, HD1, which allows the counties to create county transit-oriented development programs. It establishes planning districts and creates a process for developers to apply for residential and commercial exceptional planning projects.

The Hawaii LECET envisions SB 2927, SD2, HD1, will support the counties develop transit-oriented developments in the years to come.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.

BIA-HAWAII
BUILDING INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION

Testimony to the House Committee on Finance
Tuesday, April 3, 2012
2:00 p.m.
State Capitol - Conference Room 308

S.B. 2927 SD2 HD1, RELATING TO COMMUNITY PLANNING

Dear Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair M. Lee, and members of the committees:

I am Gladys Marrone, Director of Government Relations for the Building Industry Association of Hawaii (BIA-Hawaii). Chartered in 1955, the Building Industry Association of Hawaii is a professional trade organization affiliated with the National Association of Home Builders, representing the building industry and its associates. BIA-Hawaii takes a leadership role in unifying and promoting the interests of the industry to enhance the quality of life for the people of Hawaii.

BIA-HAWAII supports S.B. 2927 SD2 HD1. The bill proposes to establish planning districts and create a process for developers to apply for residential and commercial exceptional planning projects. The bill also proposes to establish the transit-oriented or main-street redevelopment programs and authorizes state and county incentives for exceptional planning projects. Finally, it establishes a discretionary review process for the transfer of floor area within the planning district.

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As drafted, the bill proposes to increase density in and around identified rail and bus transit stations or centers. We understand that the underlying objective is to increase ridership for these public transit alternatives by increasing density in and around the stations. Other incentives are included in the bill. We also note that the legislation has received support from various county agencies responsible for transit and the future development around transit stations. We, too, support the bill as a vehicle for further discussions on development of vibrant communities with the rail and bus transit projects.

Thank you for this opportunity to express our views.

Testimony in Opposition to SB2927 SD2 HD1

HEARING

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Rep. Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, April 3, 2012

TIME: 2:00 PM

PLACE: Conference Room 308
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

SB2927 SD2 HD1:

Measure Title: RELATING TO COMMUNITY PLANNING.

Report Title: Hawaii Community Development Authority; State-wide Planning

Description: Establishes planning districts and creates a process for developers to apply for residential and commercial exceptional planning projects. Establishes the transit-oriented or main-street redevelopment program. Authorizes state and county incentives for exceptional planning projects. Establishes a discretionary review process for the transfer of floor area within the planning district. Effective July 1, 2010. (SB2927 HD1)

Aloha Chairman Marcus R. Oshiro, Chair, Vice Chairman Marilyn B. Lee and the Committee on Finance:

My name is Wayne Takamine and I participated in the Kaka'ako Makai Master Planning process as the chairman of the Kaka'ako Makai Community Planning Advisory Council (CPAC).

CPAC has strong concerns for SB2927 SD2 HD1 that could allow developers to apply for residential and commercial exceptional planning projects that are now prohibited in Kaka'ako Makai.

From our experience with the Kaka'ako Makai master planning process since 2005, CPAC has witnessed strong support for HRS 206E-31.5, which is the law that prohibits residential housing and the sale of state land in Kaka'ako Makai by countless individuals, community groups, cultural groups, environmental groups and Kaka'ako Makai stakeholders.

During the Kaka'ako Makai Master Planning Process, CPAC has followed the lead of state legislators, stakeholders, community groups and the HCDA that has determined the state land in Kaka'ako Makai can best serve the public as "The Community's Gathering Place" as defined by the adopted Kaka'ako Makai Vision and Guiding Principals and the approved Kaka'ako Makai Conceptual Master Plan and "The Public Cultural Market" concept described in HRS 206E-34 that is a required in Kaka'ako Makai.

We respectfully ask the House Committee on Finance to consider our strong opposition to SB2927 SD2 HD1 and our appreciation for your support in making Kaka'ako Makai the "Community's Gathering Place."

Respectfully,

Wayne Takamine
CPAC Chairman

The House of Representatives
The Twenty-Sixth Legislature
Committee on Finance
April 3, 2012
2:00 a.m., Room 308

Statement of the Hawaii Carpenters Union on SB 2927, SD2, HD1

The Hawaii Carpenters Union supports the passage of SB 2927 and effective upon passage, to allow continued work towards both creative and rational urban planning. Consider that working families are facing increased constriction of new housing options, and increasing automobile costs and traffic time. Working families need alternatives.

The Bill allows for designation by the Counties, interaction with Counties, with tools to positively transform already urbanized areas, and mass transit hubs that are a resource we want to build upon.

The revitalization of our urban core, and the planning of more livable main-street centers have long been discussed as a desirable vision. Transit Oriented Development (TOD) is a central part of the discussion, because of the great potential for increased human uses and decreased automobile uses. The creative redevelopment of Honolulu's urban corridor, the resulting jobs, housing, services, lifestyles and economic revitalization, can be catalyzed by transit stations.

We continue to maintain that SD1 contained provisions that deserved more work towards solutions, rather than deletion. For example, redevelopment of a long-urbanized area may not generate the need for certain impact fees as the development of newly urbanized land.

The removal of the Hoopili transit station ignores the continuing potential for a mass transit resource. The proposed development of that name must meet other requirements on its own, and this Bill can recognize the transit hub potential without advocating for or against it.

This Bill will enhance the use by working people mass transit and mass transit hubs of any name. Working people need an alternative before they can remove themselves from their cars, from hours in traffic, gas and other operating costs, from parking, repair and purchase costs.

While it is a long range planning and development process, TOD needs to begin now. Given a framework of what to expect, both public and private sectors can begin planning that can be refined as the framework is filled out, rather than waiting for years. Private developers and service providers can bring proposals to government.

We urge the passage of SB 2927, effective upon passage. Thank you for considering the testimony of the Hawaii Carpenters Union.

House Committee on Finance.

Testimony in Strong Opposition

I am in strong opposition of SB 2927 SD2 HD1, a bill relating to community planning, because this bill would not require an area around a bus transit station to abide by existing zoning laws.

The City Department of Transportation Services plans to put a bus Transit Center somewhere in Kailua town. Since the area around such a transit station would not have to abide by existing zoning laws or regulations, landowners could legally build hotels or tall buildings, ignoring Windward Oahu's 40-foot height limit.

In short, passage of SB 2927 could have potentially detrimental effects on Kailua's community that would ignore regulations on building heights designed to protect Kailua from unwanted development. I have lived in Kailua all my life and do not want to see my home overdeveloped and made into a new "Waikiki".

Thank you for your time,
Christina K Gauen

House Committee on Finance

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TO: Members of the Committee on Finance

FROM: Natalie Iwasa
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HEARING: 2 p.m. Tuesday, April 3, 2012

SUBJECT: SB2927, SD2, HD1 Fast-tracked Development - **OPPOSED**

Aloha Chair and Committee Members,

Thank you for allowing me to provide additional testimony in strong opposition to SB 2927, SD2, HD1, which would allow developers to by-pass many of our land-use planning laws and replace them with "exceptional" planning projects for transit-oriented development.

In addition to concerns raised about this bill in my earlier testimony, I also oppose it because it would allow fast-tracked development on land zoned preservation in places such as two parcels in Hawaii Kai (across from Costco and fronting Kalaniana'ole Hwy. between Keahole Street and Hawaii Kai Drive). It is simply unacceptable to allow development to proceed with exemptions from the zone change process and compliance with zoning standards.

Please hold this bill in committee.

HOUSE FINANCE COMMITTEE
Tuesday, April 3, 2012
2:00 PM, Conference Room 308
Senate Bill 2927, SD2, HD1
Relating to "Community Planning"

Aloha Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee and Finance Committee Members:

SB 2927 is entitled "Relating to Community Planning" with sub-title reference to the "Hawaii Community Development Authority" and "State-Wide Planning."

This testimony provides comments in **strong opposition** to SB 2927, SD2, HD1. The transparent intent of this open-ended bill is to exempt state and county projects from important and established regulatory oversight and vital environmental protection for *whatever large urban land area that may be decided to achieve undefined goals for overall mixed-use high density and undefined transit ridership within any contemplated planning district on any state or county land.*

SB 2927 is a **misdirected measure** that proposes to:

- establish "exceptional"(exceptionally) high-density developments responding to **imposed undefined goals** for future transit ridership.
- **exempt** "exceptional" (exceptionally) high-density planning projects **from compliance with county zoning standards and the zone change process.**
- authorize within the urban district **large planning districts** of state and county land for "exceptional" (exceptionally) high-density developments.
- authorize **all counties** to specify a high-density transit-oriented development **radius around bus stations and centers and rail transit stations and centers**, which could impact and adversely affect conservation land, open shoreline recreational areas, historic sites, and agricultural lands;
- authorize **all counties** to accept "exceptional"(exceptionally) high-density planned developments within the planning districts.
- authorize **all counties** to establish a discretionary review process to transfer floor area allowances from separate parcels to create **higher densities** within a planning district.

SB 2927, HD1 **exempts and bypasses:**

- established land use zoning and re-zoning regulations, and compliance with zoning standards based on sound planning practices that provide development consistency within urban areas and maintain protected areas for present and future generations,
- long-standing Environmental Review requirements for the assessment of environmental factors attributable to such massive proposed developments, including significant environmental impacts and available alternatives to the development action.
- state development impact fees (HRS 264-123) always needed to support mixed-use development;

Seeking to further undermine and erode established land use policies and procedures, SB 2927 proposes to:

- authorize the counties to provide **additional development incentives**, yet these remain **undefined and open to speculation**.
- **restrict** the county development agency's review and decision on any proposed planning district development to 45 days, and **restrict** the 2-month county legislative process review for projects approved by the development agency to 45 days. This precludes the counties from exercising **public due process** and the **established legislative review process** of at least 60 days with full public comment.
- **reduce environmental review** for "exceptional" planning projects to **"considerations"** of existing land uses, zoning and future impacts
- **prohibit** public appeals and civil complaints against "exceptional" planning projects by **disallowing and denying public due process** and the constitutional right of recourse through administrative and judicial review for "exceptional" development decisions arbitrarily made and actions hastily taken.

In summary, this measure manipulates county planning processes, flies in the face of county general plans, area development plans and established community plans, and is a carte blanche proposal for foot-loose development that could indeed pave the way for unfettered **vertical sprawl** in some very unintended and protected areas.

SB 2927 is nothing more than a guise for enabling the state and counties together with private interests to engage in the proliferation of high-density development that can potentially **encroach upon and strangle** our island's open shorelines and recreational areas, marine resources and coastal ecosystems, and scenic urban open spaces and historic resources. This Miami Beach mindset portends disaster for Hawai'i, and especially Honolulu, as a visitor destination – because **our island economy is dependent upon and subsidiary to our unique environment, open shoreline resources, and panoramic view planes from the mountains to the sea.**

As with similar legislation proposed this year, SB 2927 is a transparently conscious attempt by certain present legislators, politicians and their cohorts to **undermine and erode, abuse and defile** long-standing laws protecting our **finite island resources and unique environment** in order to promote and achieve **massive development** at the financial cost burden and detriment of the quality of life of present and future generations. **SB 2927 is the antithesis of all that has gone before in the Greater Public Interest.**

Please kill this bill!

Most sincerely,

Michelle S. Matson

House Committee on Finance

Testimony in Opposition

Chris Delaunay

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In short, passage of SB 2927 could have potentially detrimental effects on the Kailua Community that would ignore regulations on building heights designed to protect our community from unwanted development.

Testimony SB2927

Dear Legislators,

Exempting projects from environmental impact and human health assessment is a startlingly dangerous proposal for an island society. Please don't take changes with our precious 'aina for short-term financial gain and long-term compromise of our whole economy.

Mahalo for your attention to this request,

Elizabeth Cole

Ka'apahu, Hawai'i Island

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Al Lardizabal
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Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:
April 2, 2012

Chair Marcus Oshiro; Vice Chair Marilyn Lee and members of the committee:

The Hawaii Laborers' Union strongly supports SB2927, SD2, HD1. This bill will help to foster development planning towards the urban core and multi-modal transportation alternatives.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.

Al Lardizabal
Government Relations
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Testifier will be present: Yes
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Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:

We OPPOSE SB 2927 and all its convoluted shapes and sizes.

The State Capitol is heading the wrong direction when it wants to deprive the public of open government.

It's time to table and burn this bill and start over again next year.

These basic environmental laws are not tree-hugging laws. They are basic common sense logical steps that all should adhere to in order to protect the well-being of all on our island home.

For example: The provisions of Chapter 343, Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS), specifically HRS §343-5(a)(1), simply requires preparation of an Environmental Assessment (EA).

Prior to preparing a draft EA, it is important to consult with the community regarding your proposed activity as well as agencies. Groups, individuals, and organizations that have expertise in the field, have an interest or will be affected by the proposed project should be consulted. Immediate neighbors or neighboring landowners must be contacted. Consultation with the local planning department is required.

Consultation with the affected community is the first of several elements of public participation in the environmental review process established under Chapter 343. The centrality of public participation to rational environmental management has long been recognized as good policy, and it is explicitly identified as a founding principle in the legislative findings that preface the EIS law.

§343-1 Findings and purpose. The legislature finds that the quality of humanity's environment is critical to humanity's well-being, that humanity's activities have broad and profound effects upon the interrelations of all components of the environment, and that an environmental review process will integrate the review of environmental concerns with existing planning processes of the State and counties and alert decision makers to significant environmental effects which may result from the implementation of certain actions. The legislature further finds that the process of reviewing environmental effects is desirable because environmental consciousness is enhanced, cooperation and coordination are encouraged, and public participation during the review process benefits all parties involved and society as a whole."

What's so apocalyptic about adherence to this environment review law unless the Governor and any of you legislators wish to see yourselves as emirs or ayatollahs.

The Special Management (SMA) that the Governor wants to exempt for certain exceptional projects has the same protective principles for the public at large.

<http://www.state.hi.us/dbedt/czm/program/sma.php>

Special Management Area (SMA)

"People familiar with the area in which a "development" is proposed can call attention to issues that may not be fully understood or appreciated by County staff evaluating the proposal, or by decision-makers. Oftentimes, the public may be more familiar with particular aspects of issues such as public shoreline access, recreational resources, and coastal views than reviewing staff and agencies. Such specific input is key and can result in more effective mitigation measures."

What's so naysaying and apocalyptic about our efforts to protect these logical and proven environmental review laws?

We are an island of 596.7 square miles. We are Hawaii. We are not Arizona, Florida, California, Utah or New York. We cannot allow land use policies to be commandeered by special interest corporations, exceptional contractors, and the likes. To kow-tow to these spoiled exceptional groups is akin to allowing them to tear down a cathedral to fry an egg.

These basic democratic principles must not be tampered with or subverted to appease a few, may I suggest you review the names and comments made at http://signon.org/sign/an-open-letter-in-defense?source=c.em.cp&r_by=2813884

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Comments:
Hold this awful, unnecessary bill.

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Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
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E-mail: daunna@lava.net
Submitted on: 4/3/2012

Comments:

Dear Honorable Members of the Hawaii State Legislature and House Finance Committee:

I Concur w/the Sincere Testimony of Ms. Michelle S. Matson on SB2927 in STRONG OPPOSITION to this Ill-Fated Bill and Strongly Agree that it should Never have been Originated and should be Killed!

In a 1970 "UNIVERSE:CITY 2000" Well Published Exhibit and Lecture at an International "Modernization Conference on Asia and the Pacific, Based on My Original Research I Correlated the Classical Ideals of Mankind (i.e. TRUTH, GOODNESS and BEAUTY) with the Basic Functional Components (University, Government and Industry (Including Commerce) of Civilized Cities and City-States since their Historical Origination. I Found that Government Aligned with GOODNESS, Not Corruption or Evil Practices such as Those Incorporated w/in SB 2927!

In a Family, Elder Members are Expected to be Role Models and Set the Example for Acceptable Human Behavior in Civil Society; whereby, They Not Only Make the Operative Rules and Laws, but STRICTLY Follow Them and Abide by Them in Exemplary MODEL-Fashion. To Behave Otherwise even for Cities and City-States or State Governments is Corruptive and Disruptive and Defeats Educational Principles. In Contemporary Times, the HUMAN PLEAS for GOOD GOVERNMENT and Concomitant Riotous Outbursts at Times are Environmentally and Economically Damaging and Wasteful of Natural and Man-Made Resources!

In a Recent Article in Honolulu Weekly Featuring Former Distinguished Hawaii Senator Kenneth F. Brown, FAIA of Hawaiian Ancestry and Notable Architect-Planner-Developer in Hawaii nei, it Mentioned a "Widely Quoted" Courageous Senatorial Speech He Delivered in 1973 that should be Read Aloud in Senate and House Chambers Supporting Citizen's Testimony in STRONG OPPOSITION to SB 2927!

I was the Principal Author of the Successful Ford Foundation Grant to UH for HESL (Hawaii Environmental Simulation Laboratory) Addressing Pollution in Kaneohe Bay and Its Health, Safety and Welfare Environmental Quality Control Improvements ... Back in the Days when KENNY Brown and Governors John A. Burns and George R. Ariyoshi were Exemplary Models for GOOD GOVERNMENT!!!

Thank You Honorable Legislative Representatives as well as Your Counterpart State Senators for this Additional Opportunity to Testify and Comment on the Irrationality of SB 2927 which should Never have been Initiated - Especially in Hawaii nei!!!

Mahalo and Aloha,

Andrew

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Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Micah Pregitzer
Organization: Individual
E-mail: mrpregitzer@gmail.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:
House Committee on Finance

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Sincerely,
Micah Pregitzer
Science Teacher
Kalaheo High School

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Linda Wong
Organization: Individual
E-mail: leiahi@me.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:

Honorable Finance Committee,
I strongly oppose SB2927 SD2 HD1. It will destroy a very beautiful portion of Honolulu with Highrise buildings. Kakaako is the only open shore left in Honolulu so it deserves to stay. You are depriving tourists of a "real Hawaii" and they will skip over Oahu to other Hawaiian Islnds. This has proven true with many of my friends and family. They said Honolulu is concrete only and not the Hawaii they expected!

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Submitted on: 4/1/2012

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Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Helen Carroll
Organization: Individual
E-mail: carrollh001@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:

I am extremely opposed to SB2927. This will be destructive to the Islands allowing BIG \$\$ developers to get anything approved.

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Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Charlotte Farmer
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E-mail: farmerj001@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:

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Submitted by: Nicole Harbottle
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E-mail: stylist@islstyle.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:
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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Lance Gentry
Organization: Individual
E-mail: l2dag13@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:

I AM A LIFETIME KAILUA WITH 2 CHILDREN I WOULD LIKE TO SEE GROW UP IN A KAILUA THAT DOES NOT RESEMBLE WAIKIKI!

House Committee on Finance

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Leah Heyer
Organization: Individual
E-mail: lheyer@aol.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:

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Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Ann Marie Kirk
Organization: Individual
E-mail: annmarie@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:

Aloha,

Please OPPOSE SB 2927 SD 2 HD 1.

Our communities need the current and proper planning and zoning standards to continue to be in place for developments around our community transit areas. Those standards should not be removed or exemptions made. Projects /Developments should not be fast tracked or exempt from current zoning and planning standards. This is not right.

In addition, why should developers be exempt from all state fees associated with land development? And why should developers be able to not follow current zone change processes and compliance with zoning standards? This is not right.

Please OPPOSE SB 2927 SD 2 HD 1. This bill is not right.

Mahalo,
Ann Marie Kirk

Maunaloa, O'ahu

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Comments:
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Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Sarah
Organization: Individual
E-mail: smedwell@gmail.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:
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Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:

Please support SB 2320. The bill addresses critical areas of senior care: the Hawaii Aging and Disability Resource centers, the allocation of funds for Home and communiyt-Based Services, and and the implementation of an elder registration program.

It is so important that we provide services for our seniors and their family caregivers. Thank you for your consideration.

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Testifier will be present: No
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Organization: Individual
E-mail: mancini44@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:

I am a Kailua resident and strongly oppose this bill. Our small community and environment cannot handle the pressure that will result from concession stands in the beach parks and tourist busses offering drop offs.

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2012 11:07 PM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: barbarak@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM SB2927

Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Barbara Krasniewski
Organization: Individual
E-mail: barbarak@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:
Testimony in strong opposition to SB2927SD2HD1

I am appalled that this legislature is considering allowing for "transit-oriented development" within a quarter of a mile radius of a transit center to proceed without respect to current zoning regulations and without proper environmental review. I would encourage this committee to respect and protect the aina by proceeding with the proper oversight needed for an EIS and in accordance with the existing zoning. Please do not "sell out" our beautiful state to developers to do as they please. Consider the people of Hawaii and kill this bill.

Thank you.

Aloha, Barbara Krasniewski
Concerned citizen and registered voter

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2012 5:45 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: simone5501@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM SB2927

Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Christina K Gauen
Organization: Individual
E-mail: simone5501@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 4/3/2012

Comments:
House Committee on Finance

Testimony in Strong Opposition

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In short, passage of SB 2927 could have potentially detrimental effects on Kailua's community that would ignore regulations on building heights designed to protect Kailua from unwanted development.

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2012 2:30 PM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: angelakv@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Angela Kieran-Vast
Organization: Individual
E-mail: angelakv@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:
House Committee on Finance

Testimony in Strong Opposition

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
sent: Monday, April 02, 2012 12:08 PM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: fotiprmk@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM SB2927

Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Mollie Foti
Organization: Individual
E-mail: fotiprmk@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:

SB2927 is a terrible bill that would destroy the planning process for all communities. Kailua would be hard hit. My husband Philip and I are totally opposed.

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2012 10:38 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: lbj27@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM SB2927

Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Jay McWilliams
Organization: Individual
E-mail: lbj27@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:

Please vote "NO" to SB2927. Looking at the testimony given during the bill's last hearing, many of the folks who said they supported the bill, clarified it by saying they supported the "intent of bill" only. When even those in favor of a bill's intent take pause, hopefully those of you in the Legislature and the governor's office will do the same. The unintended consequences of a measure such as this should be reason enough to table this bill, as written. Members of the public, who elected you, are counting on you to protect their right to have a voice in all matters that affect their lives. Take some time to make sure no one gets removed from the input process, especially when it comes to developing our island state.

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
ent: Monday, April 02, 2012 9:40 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: jeanea_gentry@excite.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: dale jeanea gentry
Organization: Individual
E-mail: jeanea_gentry@excite.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:

I am in strong opposition of SB 2927 SD2 HD1, a bill relating to community planning, because this bill would not require an area around a bus transit station to abide by existing zoning laws. It could have potentially detrimental effects on Kailua's community that would ignore regulations on building heights designed to protect Kailua from unwanted development.

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2012 9:46 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: dawngreenlee@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM SB2927

Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Dawn Greenlee
Organization: Individual
E-mail: dawngreenlee@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:

I oppose SB 2927 SD2 HD1. I am concerned it would allow developers to move forward with projects without thoroughly assessing measures to minimize project impacts to the public.

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
ent: Monday, April 02, 2012 9:51 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: bcampanella@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM SB2927

Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Bonnie Porter
Organization: Individual
E-mail: bcampanella@gmail.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:

Please hear what Kailua residents have to say. (and I don't mean people who are here to visit and move back to the mainland) "Kailuans" are people who want to own homes in Kailua, have heritage here, raise their families here and build their future in Kailua. This bill gives too much power to the contractor that handles the zoning. There need to be restrictions on building. One being the height level of buildings. Kailuans like the small town feel, and, with the exception of Windward Passage, there should be NO highrises allowed in Kailua. Please ammend this bill and show that there will be restrictions. I am Kailua, I want to raise my family in Kailua. I am building my future in Kailua. I already Dislike the hanges, but please do not make Kailua the next Waikiki... Restrictions on zoning is a MUST!

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2012 9:56 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: stocktonporter@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Stockton Porter
Organization: Individual
E-mail: stocktonporter@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:
House Committee on Finance

Testimony in Strong Opposition

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2012 9:48 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: surfzone@hawaiiantel.net
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Betty L Bodlak
Organization: Individual
E-mail: surfzone@hawaiiantel.net
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:
Please vote against SB 2927 SD2 HD1

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
ent: Monday, April 02, 2012 11:19 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: stu_simmons@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM SB2927

Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Stu Simmons
Organization: Individual
E-mail: stu_simmons@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:
Aloha Committee members

In my opinion, SB2927 SD2 HD1 in its current form would be wrong for a community such as Kailua where only a bus station would be located. It opens the door for landowners to circumvent appropriate zoning laws and restricts the public's input on projects. This would be a travesty for the Kailua community. Please amend the bill to exclude the Kailua and/or similar communities or defer the entire Bill.

Best regards

Stu Simmons
Kailua resident

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
ent: Monday, April 02, 2012 8:24 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: jg@lava.net
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM SB2927

Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Janet Gillmar
Organization: Individual
E-mail: jg@lava.net
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:
Please file this bill in the wastebasket.

I am a landscape architect and planner, work in the campus planning office at the University of Hawaii and am a member of the Diamond Head Citizens Advisory Committee where we review projects within the framework of the Shoreline Management Act and the City's Diamond Head Special District.

The exceptional planning process proposed in SB2927 is an exceptionally bad idea in principle. This bill would be a bad precedent, let the proverbial camel's nose into the tent. Too much is at stake in our vulnerable island ecosystem.

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
ent: Monday, April 02, 2012 8:17 AM
fo: FINTestimony
Cc: annietbi@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Ann Gommers
Organization: Individual
E-mail: annietbi@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:

PLEASE Vote no on SB2927.... we need to ensure careful deliberations and ensure opportunities for communities to give ample input before decisions are made regarding development.
thank you!
Annie Gommers
68-615 Farrington Hwy. 17B
Waialua, HI 96791

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Date: Monday, April 02, 2012 6:54 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: geoffreynolds@earthlink.net
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Geoff Reynolds
Organization: Individual
E-mail: geoffreynolds@earthlink.net
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:

I am against this bill as exemptions for TODs are not needed. Please keep and enforce the existing regulations for development.

FINTestimony

m: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
at: Monday, April 02, 2012 7:09 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: jimiberlin1@aol.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: James Berlin
Organization: Individual
E-mail: jimiberlin1@aol.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:
Please vote against SB 2927 SD2 HD1

FINTestimony

m: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
sent: Monday, April 02, 2012 7:30 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: carolphilips1@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Carol Philips
Organization: Individual
E-mail: carolphilips1@gmail.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:
Aloha Honorable Legislatures,

Please vote against SB2927.

Respectfully,
Carol Philips
Haleiwa

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Sunday, April 01, 2012 7:15 PM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: h2mom@aol.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM SB2927

Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Susan Roth
Organization: Individual
E-mail: h2mom@aol.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:

Show your aloha to our land. Please continue to take proper care of the evaluation process.

Vote NO on SB 2927 SD2 HD1.

Thank you

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Sunday, April 01, 2012 8:00 PM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: cwjerome@gmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Craig Jerome
Organization: Individual
E-mail: cwjerome@gmail.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:
Please vote against SB 2927 SD2 HD1.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Sunday, April 01, 2012 8:03 PM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: Dovelito@aol.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Karl Harbottle
Organization: Individual
E-mail: Dovelito@aol.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:

I am in strong opposition to senate bill 2927 we need to keep zoning laws for the purpose that they were intended for in the first place

FINTestimony

m: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
.nt: Sunday, April 01, 2012 10:03 PM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: dhallhi@yahoo.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM SB2927

Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: David W. Hall
Organization: Individual
E-mail: dhallhi@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:

I oppose SB 2927 because it does not allow sufficient public input.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Sunday, April 01, 2012 10:19 PM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: dizus@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Daphne Izu
Organization: Individual
E-mail: dizus@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:
House Committee on Finance

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m: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
it: Sunday, April 01, 2012 8:38 PM
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Cc: starrs1@hotmail.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Starr Gentry
Organization: Individual
E-mail: starrs1@hotmail.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:

FINTestimony

m: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
.it: Monday, April 02, 2012 5:00 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: pkaleikini@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Kaanohi Kaleikini
Organization: Individual
E-mail: pkaleikini@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:
Please vote against SB2927 SD2 HD1

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Date: Sunday, April 01, 2012 5:22 PM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: bmcMahon@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Bonnie McMahon
Organization: Individual
E-mail: bmcMahon@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:

Please do not rush this bill through. It deserves more study. Much more.

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Date: Sunday, April 01, 2012 5:49 PM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: mohalaway@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Linda Legrande
Organization: Individual
E-mail: mohalaway@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 4/1/2012

Comments:

this bill is far too vague. there are too many special interest groups here in Hawaii for public input to be denied. NO EXEMPTIONS FROM SITE PLAN APPROVALS PERIOD. To eliminate public input and public hearing is not in the best interest of good government.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2012 8:03 PM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: Cgloomis76@yahoo.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Chris
Organization: Individual
E-mail: Cgloomis76@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2012 12:24 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: the-green-one@hawaii.rr.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM
Attachments: Testimony SB2927 SD2 fast-tracked development 4-3-12 FIN.pdf

Testimony for FIN 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM SB2927

Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Natalie Iwasa
Organization: Individual
E-mail: the-green-one@hawaii.rr.com
Submitted on: 4/3/2012

Comments:
Please do not post my email address.

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Tuesday, April 03, 2012 6:50 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: sjenners@yahoo.com
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Sandra Jenners
Organization: Individual
E-mail: sjenners@yahoo.com
Submitted on: 4/3/2012

Comments:

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
ent: Monday, April 02, 2012 8:21 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: luciano@hawaii.edu
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Luciano Minerbi
Organization: Individual
E-mail: luciano@hawaii.edu
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
Sent: Monday, April 02, 2012 5:29 AM
To: FINTestimony
Cc: rkaye@mdi.net
Subject: Testimony for SB2927 on 4/3/2012 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308
Testifier position: Oppose
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: Robin Kaye
Organization: Individual
E-mail: rkaye@mdi.net
Submitted on: 4/2/2012

Comments:
Please kill this bill