SB 2945

RELATING TO LIQUOR LICENSES

Description:

Authorizes the revocation or suspension of a liquor license for a continuing pattern of noise, disturbance, misconduct, or disorder.

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Hearing:

Tuesday, February 14, 2012

3:15 pm; Room 224

Position:

Providing Comments on SB 2945 Relating to Intoxicating Liquor

The Liquor Commission, City and County of Honolulu ("Commission"), **supports in principle** SB 2945 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. Although no testimony was submitted by licensees on the related HB 2311, we respectfully reserve further comment on the Senate version of the 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,

Greg I. Nishioka, Administrator

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