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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TRANSIT.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the State owns  
2 significant amounts of land around the proposed rail transit  
3 stations in Honolulu. It is important that these surrounding  
4 lands are analyzed for the impact the transit stations will have  
5 on the various communities.

6           The purpose of this Act is to require all state agencies  
7 within one-half mile of proposed rail stations to enter into a  
8 memorandum of understanding with each other and convene working  
9 groups together with the Honolulu authority for rapid  
10 transportation to address how the transit station will affect  
11 the surrounding workforce and housing.

12           SECTION 2. (a) All state agencies within one-half mile of  
13 each proposed rail transit station shall enter into a memorandum  
14 of understanding with each other to determine how each  
15 respective transit station will help address the State's  
16 population growth by meeting workforce housing demand and to  
17 assess the respective transit station's contribution to transit



1 ridership; provided that the memorandum of understanding is not  
2 in lieu of any regulatory function.

3 (b) Each memorandum of understanding shall require the  
4 convening of a working group that includes a representative of  
5 the Honolulu authority for rapid transportation and any  
6 appropriate state agencies.

7 (c) For each working group, the state agency with the  
8 majority of the land jurisdiction around the proposed rail  
9 transit station shall designate a representative to serve as the  
10 initial chairperson and coordinator of the working group until  
11 the agencies that sign the memorandum of understanding select a  
12 chairperson.

13 (d) Each working group shall submit an annual report to  
14 the legislature including but not limited to the following:

15 (1) How the transit station will help address the State's  
16 population growth by meeting workforce housing demand  
17 and the transit station's contribution to transit  
18 ridership; and

19 (2) Emerging industry and other industry growth  
20 opportunities to:

21 (A) Diversify the economy; and



1           (B) Achieve the goals of establishing a "second city"  
2           outside of Honolulu.

3           (e) For the purposes of this Act, "proposed rail transit  
4 station" means a station at one of the following proposed  
5 Honolulu rail transit locations:

- 6           (1) East Kapolei;
- 7           (2) University of Hawaii, West Oahu;
- 8           (3) Leeward community college;
- 9           (4) Aloha stadium;
- 10          (5) Honolulu International Airport;
- 11          (6) Lagoon drive;
- 12          (7) Kalihi; and
- 13          (8) Kapalama.

14          SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.



**Report Title:**

Memorandum of Understanding; Working Group; Honolulu Authority  
for Rapid Transportation; Rail Transit

**Description:**

Requires all state agencies within one-half mile of proposed  
rail stations to enter into memoranda of understanding with each  
other and convene working groups that include representatives of  
the Honolulu authority for rapid transportation. Requires the  
working groups to submit annual reports to the legislature.

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