

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 17, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2048
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred H.B. No. 2048, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to resolve ownership issues involving the roads in the Kakaako Community Development District by prohibiting the Hawaii Community Development Authority from approving community development plans or permit applications without first executing a memorandum of understanding with the landowner or developer of the land that is the subject of the community development plan or permit, acknowledging the ownership of each public street or highway adjacent to the community development plan or permit. This measure also requires the Authority to accept ownership of public streets and highways for which ownership is in dispute.

The Interim Executive Director of the Hawaii Community Development Authority and Department of the Attorney General provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee finds that with the rapid increase in development of the Kakaako area on Oahu, it is important to ensure cohesive development of the Kakaako Community Development District, particularly with regard to the adequacy of infrastructure for future developments. As numerous private roads that are open for public use exist in Kakaako, concerns have been



raised as to the true ownership of the roads as well as the party responsible for repair and maintenance. Your Committee finds that this measure addresses these concerns.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2048, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Transportation,


HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair



