

# HCR 10

**Measure Title:** URGING VARIOUS GOVERNMENT ENTITIES WHO MANAGE AND OWN LAND AROUND EACH OF THE PLANNED RAIL TRANSIT STATIONS TO CONSIDER AND INCLUDE IN DEVELOPMENT DISCUSSIONS, TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE, AFFORDABLE HOUSING, CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES, ELDERLY SERVICES, AND OTHER BENEFICIAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PEOPLE OF HAWAII.

**Report Title:** Transit-Oriented Development; Planned Rail Stations; Community Planning

**Description:**

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**Package:** Kupuna Caucus

**Current Referral:** HMS, WLA/TRE

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April 18, 2016

TO: The Honorable Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
Senate Committee on Human Services

FROM: Rachael Wong, DrPH, Director

SUBJECT: **HCR 10 – URGING VARIOUS GOVERNMENT ENTITIES WHO MANAGE AND OWN LAND AROUND EACH OF THE PLANNED RAIL TRANSIT STATIONS TO CONSIDER AND INCLUDE IN DEVELOPMENT DISCUSSIONS, TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE, AFFORDABLE HOUSING, CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES, ELDERLY SERVICES, AND OTHER BENEFICIAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PEOPLE OF HAWAII**

Hearing: Tuesday, April 19, 2016, 1:00 p.m.  
Conference Room 229, State Capitol

**DEPARTMENT'S POSITION:** The Department of Human Services supports this resolution.

**PURPOSE:** This resolution urges the various state and county departments who manage and own land around each of the planned rail transit stations are urged to consider and include in development discussions, to the greatest extent possible, affordable housing, child and family services, elderly services, and other beneficial opportunities for the people of Hawaii.

The Department's mission and multi-generational approach, 'Ohana Nui, are focused on serving children, families, and individuals in our community and empower Hawai'i residents with support and services *to expand their capacity for self-sufficiency, self-determination, independence, healthy choices, quality of life, and personal dignity.* Well-planned, -designed, and equitable transit-oriented development (TOD) may accomplish interrelated goals by maintaining and providing housing for low- or moderate-income

families, preventing displacement of existing residents through gentrification, ensuring access to transportation (as the core users of public transportation are often low- to moderate-income residents), and co-locating essential services for children and families. Built communities are intentional and community-based in design. Well-planned communities address the social determinants of health—how we live, work, play, and learn—focus on those who will reside and work there.

The Department further supports passage of administration measure SB 2833 Relating to the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit that will support equitable TOD by allowing the issue of tax credits for the rehabilitation or new construction of rental housing targeted to low-income households. The Hawaii Public Housing Authority has already embraced the concepts of TOD as it plans to redevelop public housing properties within TOD zones to increase the number of available housing units while investing in walkable, accessible and diverse neighborhoods.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this resolution.

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Statement of  
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**SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES**

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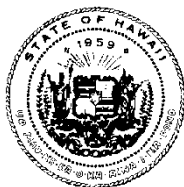
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HHFDC supports H.C.R. 10. The Administration believes that transit-oriented development (TOD) brings together elements of affordable housing, health and community services, educational and economic development opportunities, and commercial and retail activities to enliven neighborhoods around the City and County of Honolulu's planned rail stations to revitalize our urban centers.

HHFDC currently participates in the State Agency TOD Task Force meetings convened by State legislators including Human Services Committee Chair Chun Oakland. We will continue to work with other State agencies to coordinate development along the planned rail stations to provide needed services, programs, and affordable housing to foster sustainable mixed use communities.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Before the

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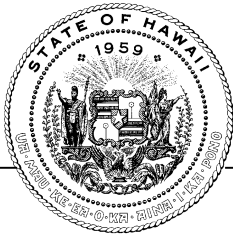
Honorable Chair Suzanne Chun Oakland and Members of the Senate Committee on Human Services, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony regarding House Concurrent Resolution (HCR) 10, urging various government entities who manage and own land around each of the planned rail transit stations to consider and include in development discussions, to the greatest extent possible, affordable housing, child and family services, elderly services, and other beneficial opportunities for the people of Hawaii.

HPHA supports H.C.R. 10. The Administration believes that transit-oriented development (TOD) brings together elements of affordable housing, health and community services, educational and economic development opportunities, and commercial and retail activities to enliven neighborhoods around the City and County of Honolulu's planned rail stations to revitalize urban centers.

HPHA currently participates in the State Agency TOD Task Force meetings convened by State legislators and chaired by Chair Chun-Oakland. We will continue to work with other State agencies to coordinate development to provide needed services, programs, and affordable housing to foster sustainable mixed-use communities.

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Statement of  
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Chair Chun Oakland, Vice Chair Riviere, and Members of the House Committee on  
Human Services.

The Office of Planning (OP) supports HCR 10. The Administration believes that transit-oriented development (TOD) has the potential to bring together elements of affordable housing, health and community services, educational and economic development opportunities, and commercial and retail activities to enliven neighborhoods around the planned rail stations of the Honolulu Rail Transit Project and to revitalize our urban centers.

OP has supported this concept through its participation in the State Agency Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Task Force meetings convened by State legislators and chaired by Senator Chun Oakland. As the Task Force starts to focus on master planning around key State project areas, we anticipate continuing to encourage State agencies to think broadly in terms of

how their individual projects can contribute to the co-location of services, programs, and housing to foster more livable and sustainable mixed use communities along the rail corridor.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



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**To:** House Conferees: Chair Suzanne Chun Oakland, Vice Chair Gil Riviere, Chair Breene Harimoto, and Vice Chair Brickwood Galuteria

**From:** Aiyana Kanakaole, MSW Student of the Myron B. Thompson School of Social Work

**RE:** HCR10 - In Support

Senate Committee on Human Services, I am submitting this testimony in support of HCR10.

My name is Aiyana Kanakaole and I am currently a graduate student at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, studying social work. My motivation for submitting this testimony stems from a class I am enrolled in covering policies and how we as community members can be involved in the legislative process.

I think that it is important to continue to provide as much services for children and families, individuals who are in need of affordable housing, the elderly as well as other populations. Legitimate affordable housing is especially needed for the people of Hawaii considering that Hawaii (Honolulu) is one of the most expensive places to live and most sole providers of families have to work more than one job just to make ends meet to live in Hawaii. While the island of Oahu continues to be developed to make living on this island easier, more convenient and more appealing for residents and visitors, we must not forget about the people who call this place home and are in need of such services.

Thank you,

Aiyana Kanakaole

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To the legislative Board,

I am submitting this testimony to urge everyone to support this bill.

Thank you

Sophiya Singh

Whitney Powell

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April 16, 2016

My name is Whitney Powell I am in favor of the proposed HCR10. Since my arrival to Hawai'i almost 2 years ago, I've had the pleasure of working with this community's underprivileged citizens. I've noticed the challenges many of them face with access to community resources in order to progress in their journey of self-improvement. Besides the lack of affordable housing being a barrier for many of Hawaii's citizens, transportation has been an issue for many as well, whether it be due to traffic or lack of transportation. Considering the members of the groups mentioned in the proposed bill will provide them with opportunities to access reliable transportation and better assist them with reaching their goals. It's important to think about these individuals and their families because many of them will NEED to live close to the rail system. I thank you for your time and consideration.