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Statement of
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before the
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
Wednesday, March 14, 2018
8:40 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 329

in consideration of
SB 2664, SD 1
RELATING TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS.

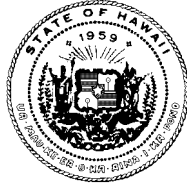
Chair Mizuno, Vice Chair Kobayashi, and Members of the House Committee on Health and Human Services.

The Office of Planning supports SB 2664, SD 1 Relating to Sustainable Development Goals. SB 2664, SD 1 seeks to amend Hawaii Revised Statutes Chapter 344, the State's Environmental Policy, to codify one of the United Nations' (UN) Sustainable Development Goals, a group of 17 goals to transform our world; SB 2664, SD 1 specifically seeks to codify UN Sustainable Development Goal, global goal 3, to promote good health and well-being by 2030.

The Office of Planning appreciates the adoption of global goal 3 to ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages throughout the State of Hawaii by 2030.

The Office of Planning recommends codifying this proposal in Hawaii Revised Statutes Chapter 226, the Hawaii State Planning Act, to be consistent with §226-108, the State's sustainability priority guidelines and principles.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
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March 13, 2018

TO: The Honorable Representative John M. Mizuno, Chair
House Committee on Health & Human Services

FROM: Pankaj Bhanot, Director

SUBJECT: **SB 2664 SD 1 – RELATING TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

Hearing: Wednesday, March 14, 2018 at 8:40 a.m.
Conference Room 329, State Capitol

DEPARTMENT'S POSITION: The Department of Human Services (DHS) supports the proposed bill as it aligns with the department's transformation efforts and mission to encourage self-sufficiency and support the well-being of individuals, families, and communities in Hawaii.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the bill is to codify sustainable development goals based on the United Nations' global goal three, good health and well-being.

DHS has a large stake in ensuring healthy lives and promoting well-being. DHS provides benefits and services to one in four Hawaii residents, or nearly 360,000 individuals. The state's Medicaid program, QUEST Integration, provides medical insurance coverage for over forty percent of Hawaii's children. We manage an annual budget of nearly \$3.3 billion to provide benefits and services relating to homelessness, education, employment, health care, safety, child care, and food security.

In 2016, DHS initiated its 'Ohana Nui effort by adopting a multigenerational approach to transform the way services are provided to individuals and families to improve outcomes and well-being. By providing programs and services that maintain a high level of service integration, quality, and intensity across multiple generations, DHS intends to

reduce intergenerational poverty in the State, and the human and financial costs associated with poverty.

The 'Ohana Nui framework requires that we meet the needs of the whole family (multiple generations) early and concurrently. If there are children under the age of five in a family, then priority is given to addressing their needs. The intention is to mitigate the negative, lasting impacts of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) to the child, and the associated costs of the programs and services that are necessary to address those negative impacts later in the child's life. Research shows that as the number of ACEs increases so does the risk for mental distress, depression, smoking, disability, unemployment, lowered educational attainment, coronary heart disease, stroke, and diabetes, among others.

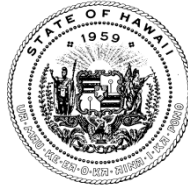
As part of the DHS mission to transform the way we deliver benefits and services, and as part of the Governor's package, DHS proposed SB 2793 SD2/HB 2366 (now HB 1926 HD1), which requires DHS to use an integrated and multigenerational approach to delivering human services to reduce the incidence of intergenerational poverty and dependence on public benefits.

Additionally, DHS is a member of the Hawaii Interagency Council for Transit-Oriented Development (TOD Council), which is the body responsible for coordinating State agency TOD planning and facilitating collaboration between the State and the counties on smart growth and TOD initiatives. As a member of the TOD Council, DHS advocates for equitable development, and was a key player in the development and inclusion of the equitable development principle in the 2017 State of Hawaii Strategic Plan for TOD.

Equitable development promotes and supports community well-being and active and healthy lifestyles. It refers to a range of approaches for creating healthy, vibrant, and sustainable communities where residents of all incomes, races, and ethnicities have access to the opportunities, services, and amenities they need to thrive.

The proposed SB 2664 SD1 furthers the goals of DHS as we transform to an integrated service delivery system with a focus on supporting every recipient's human potential, reducing incidences of intergenerational poverty, and improving the community's overall health and well-being.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this measure.



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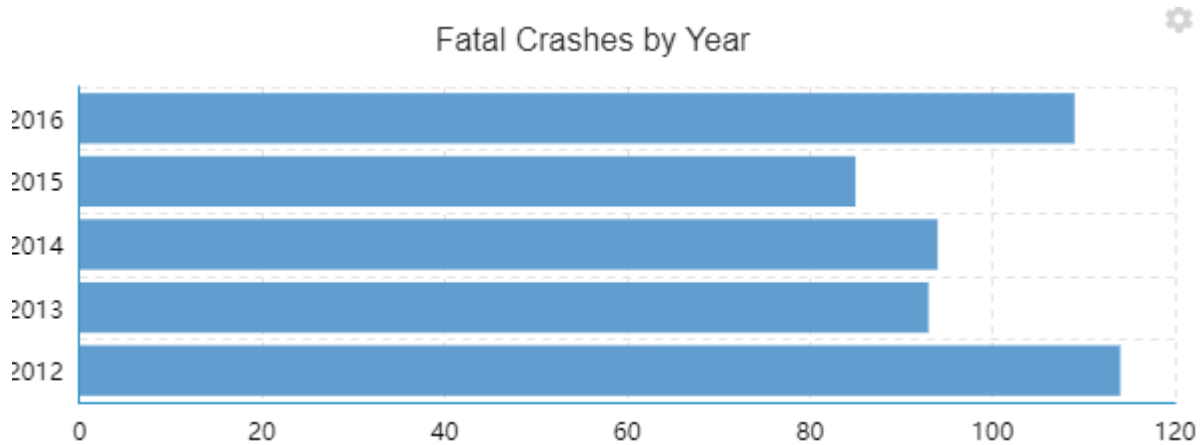
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IN REPLY REFER TO:

S.B. 2664, S.D. 1
RELATING TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS.

House Committee on Health Human Services

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** the aspiration of (6) halving the number of state deaths and injuries from road traffic accidents in this bill. Safety is the DOT's #1 priority and offers data on roadway fatalities at <http://www.hawaiihsdp.com/>



One death is one too many and approximately two people are killed every week in a traffic crash in Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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AIRPORT CONCESSIONAIRES COMMITTEE

Honorable John M. Mizuno, Chair
Committee on Health & Human Services
Hawaii State House
Hawaii State Capitol

March 14, 2018, 8:40 a.m., Room 329

Re: S.B. 2664 SD1– Relating to Good Health and Well-Being

Dear Chair Mizuno and Honorable Committee Members,

My name is Peter Fithian and I am the Legislative Chair for the Airports Concessionaires Committee whose membership consists of the major concession operators at Hawaii's public airports. Airport concessions presently have historically contributed more than half of the operating revenues for Hawaii's airport system which as you know is special funded.

Our Committee supports this bill.

On behalf of our employees and families and friends, we commend you for your leadership in setting "good health and well-being" goals for our State.

While the problems of today are certainly compelling, you recognize the importance of not only the present but planning now for the future well-being of all of us who live in Hawaii by your actions in supporting this legislation.

We must plan now and start to take steps to preserve our future of our family, friends and our Hawaii that is so special to all of us and to so many around the world .

Mahalo for your vision and leadership.



Hawai'i Green Growth is a statewide public-private partnership that catalyzes action across government, private sector and civil society to achieve Hawai'i's sustainability and climate goals, and serve as a model for integrated green growth

Testimony of Hawai'i Green Growth

In Support of SB2664 SD1 Relating to Sustainable Development Goals
House Committee on Health and Human Services
14 March 2018, 8:40am, Room 329

Honorable Chair Mizuno, Vice Chair Kobayashi, and Members of the Committee:

As a statewide partnership, Hawai'i Green Growth (HGG) **strongly supports SB2664 SD1** to adopt the United Nations 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) into state law. We recognize the critical importance of community health and well-being, as highlighted through SDG3. Even further, HGG recommends adopting the entire global framework with all 17 SDGs, as reflected in **SB2661 SD2**. HGG acknowledges discussions underway to determine the appropriate placement in HRS, but supports the overarching vision to holistically address 21st century challenges that cut across environmental, social, and economic priorities.

We appreciate the Senate's leadership on the 2018 Majority Program on UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), as well as the support for Hawai'i sustainability initiatives over the past several decades. Our partnership believes that the SDGs can help advance local efforts to address key challenges in Hawai'i across housing, climate change, energy, environmental protection, health, education and economic development by acknowledging that none of these can be addressed without consideration for the others. We cannot meet our climate goals without achieving sustainable development outcomes and vice versa. Senator Kenneth Brown's 1973 Mālama Hawai'i speech proposed that every action – economic, social and political - be guided by *mālama*. The 17 SDGs embody Hawai'i's *mālama* 'āina approach to resource management, and counsels the necessity of maintaining a balance between all aspects of our environment, society, and economy. In many ways Senator Brown foretold the eventual arrival of the SDG framework.

Hawai'i launched the *Aloha+ Challenge: He Nohona 'Ae'ōia* one year prior to the formal adoption of the SDGs by over 190 countries. The *Aloha+ Challenge* is led by the State Legislature (Senate Concurrent Resolution 69), Governor, four County Mayors, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, and private sector and civil society partners. Building on Hawai'i's history of systems thinking and many community initiatives, this commitment identifies statewide sustainability goals across energy, food, natural resources, waste, smart sustainable communities and climate, green education and workforce. Hawai'i's *Aloha+ Challenge* is recognized as a place-based model to support locally and culturally appropriate implementation of the SDGs. At the same time, the global SDG framework supports the implementation of local models like the *Aloha+ Challenge*, Sustainable Hawai'i Initiative, 100 Resilient Cities, Promise to Pae 'Āina, and other efforts, and can help attract new resources to drive implementation. It also builds on Hawai'i's recent adoption of the Paris Agreement (Act 32) and the inspiring Mālama Honua Worldwide Voyage of Hōkūle'a. Enacting SDGs into state law is significant for Hawai'i locally, nationally and internationally.

Above all, the partnership recognizes that Hawai'i's long-term security in the face of climate change and other challenges is now linked to the success of this global agenda. Because of the scale of the threat, this is no longer something Hawai'i can do alone. Indeed, for many in the international community, Hawai'i holds the answer to finding the balance based on the wisdom of our host culture and fundamental island values, as embodied in Senator Kenneth Brown's speech delivered 45 years ago. It is our kuleana, both a responsibility and privilege, to partner with communities across the globe to build a more sustainable future for Hawai'i and island earth.

Thank you for your visionary leadership and for the opportunity to submit testimony.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Laurie Field	Planned Parenthood Votes Northwest and Hawaii	Support	No

Comments:

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Melodie Aduja	OCC Legislative Priorities Committee, Democratic Party of Hawai'i	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Shawn Uehira	Oahu Economic Development Board	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Shyla Moon	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

Don't do this. We don't need to take other country's goals we have our own!