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**S.B. 658**  
**RELATING TO AN AIRPORT CORPORATION.**

Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy

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The Department of Transportation strongly **supports** this bill to establish an independent authority to develop, manage, and operate the State's airports and aeronautical facilities.

At present, responsibility for development, management and operation of the State's Airports System is distributed among several State departments. Further, key decision-making is vested in the State legislature, which is only in session for part of each year. Distributed responsibility and involvement by multiple agencies, sometimes with conflicting goals and priorities, results in delay to decision-making, inefficiency and reduced effectiveness.

Such delays have stalled the Airport System capital programs, resulting in lost economic contribution and jobs, and insufficient airport capacity to meet future airline needs. At the same time, despite the financial self-sufficiency of the Airport System, State-imposed constraints to Airport operating budgets and staffing have resulted in progressive deterioration of the quality of terminal facilities, which no longer reflect the best of our State, and are increasingly well below the standard of other airports serving leading global destinations.

Unlike other units of State government, its Airports are self-sustaining businesses, which must operate with a strong commercial and customer service focus, and must be responsive to opportunities and market conditions. Such an authority would create a single-purpose entity, configured with all the powers, capabilities and attributes necessary to improve efficiency and implement airport industry best practices in all aspects of operation.

An independent Airport Authority with a dedicated decision-making Board meeting throughout the year would enable capital program decisions to be made more rapidly and commercially important opportunities to be pursued more responsively. Streamlined

procedures for budgeting, procurement, and human resources processes configured to the unique needs of the Airport System would enable the airport enterprise to operate more efficiently. Operating budgets defined by airport needs would enable improvement both to terminal facilities and the quality of services and amenities offered to visitors, consistent with current airport industry standards.

While such an Airport Authority would be independent of other State departments, it would retain full public accountability via Board appointments, public meetings, and full transparency of all policies and procedures, consistent with public sector standards and best practices. Further, recognizing the unique importance of the Airports System to our island State, DOTA believes that an independent Airport Authority, operating airports to achieve their full potential, would maximize their contribution to the State economy, improve global access and inter-island mobility, and in so doing strengthen their critical role in sustaining the social and cultural fabric of the State.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



**TESTIMONY OF  
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL  
TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, 2017**

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**ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:**

S.B. NO. 658, RELATING TO AN AIRPORT CORPORATION.

**BEFORE THE:**

SENATE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY

**DATE:** Wednesday, February 1, 2017 **TIME:** 1:15 p.m.

**LOCATION:** State Capitol, Room 225

**TESTIFIER(S):** Douglas S. Chin, Attorney General, or  
Michael Q.Y. Lau, Deputy Attorney General

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Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee:

The Department of the Attorney General provides the following comments on this measure.

The purpose of the bill is to establish the Hawai'i airport corporation (the "corporation") to manage state airports. The corporation would be placed within the Department of Transportation for administrative purposes.

**Appropriations**

Paragraph (33) on page 15, lines 17-21, of the new section -3 in section 2 of the bill provides that the corporation has the power to "appropriate and allot airport funds, issue revenue bonds and special facility revenue bonds in its name pursuant to chapter 39, but not in excess of such principal amounts as are necessary for its purpose or specified in covenants with bondholders."

Airport moneys are public moneys that are subject to appropriation by the legislature. Article VII, section 5, of the Hawai'i State Constitution, provides that "[n]o public moneys shall be expended except pursuant to appropriations made by law." Section 9 provides that it is the Legislature that makes the appropriations.

Therefore, the wording authorizing the corporation to "appropriate" airport funds is not accurate and we recommend it be deleted.

### **Appointments**

Subsection (b) on page 5, lines 11-18, of the new section -2 in section 2 further provides that the corporation board of directors shall consist of five members, three who are appointed by the Governor, one appointed by the Speaker of the House, and one appointed by the President of the Senate. The direct appointment by the House Speaker and Senate President might be challenged as violating the separation of powers doctrine under the Hawai'i Constitution.

Whether the appointment power that is conferred directly to the Legislature for an executive branch board violates the separation of powers doctrine under article V, section 6 of the Hawai'i Constitution has not been addressed by the Hawai'i courts. Until a law is challenged and a court rules on the issue, the bill, if enacted into law, would be presumptively constitutional. See Schwab v. Ariyoshi, 58 Haw. 25, 31 (1977); Blair v. Cayetano, 73 Haw. 536, 542 (1992).

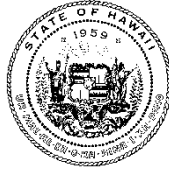
The Hawaii Revised Statutes contains examples of executive boards and commissions to which the Legislature appoints members. See e.g., Elections Commission (Haw. Rev. Stat. § 11-7) and Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii (Haw. Rev. Stat. § 304A-3002). While these examples enjoy the presumption of constitutionality, only a challenge and determination by a court will definitively settle this issue. To obviate a potential challenge, we suggest that wording be added to the bill that provides that the Governor shall appoint all five members of the board of directors.

### **Chapter 171**

The bill includes several provisions that conflict with chapter 171, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS). For example, section 2 provides that the corporation may assign, sell, convey, lease and sublease any airport. The vast majority of state airports are located on "public lands," as defined by section 171-2, HRS. As such, these actions related to state airports are currently subject to the approval by the Board of Land and Natural Resources. Section 2 also provides that the corporation may grant options or renew any lease. This provision is contrary to section § 171-36(a)(1), HRS. We recommend that wording be added to the bill that provides that the corporation shall not be subject to chapter 171 (similar to the bill's wording for the procurement code exemption).

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this bill.

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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE  
ON  
COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY  
Wednesday, February 1, 2017  
SB 658  
RELATING TO AN AIRPORT CORPORATION

Chair Inouye, Vice-Chair Dela Cruz and members of the committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on SB658. The State Procurement Office's (SPO) takes no position on this bill and offers the following comments:

Page 11, lines 4 to 16 of the bill announces that the Hawaii Airport Corporation shall be exempt from the Procurement Code and shall implement their own procurement policies and procedures for professional services, planning, engineering, and construction services, and other services.... Consistent with accepted standards of probity, transparency, and accountability.

The Hawaii Airport Corporation (HAC) should account for the fact that procurement is a complex function guided by numerous policies are critical to ensuring procurement staff, and all stakeholder's follow the proper procedures, and rules so all will have a clear and consistent understanding of the required regulations. The HAC should develop a comprehensive policy manual that clearly defines authority, management oversight, responsibility, and guidelines for the public and procurement staff when carrying out their responsibilities. In addition, the SPO recommends a centralized staff of procurement officers that consist of experienced, well-paid procurement professionals and post-award contract managers, to properly manage both the pre- and post-award contract functions. The Chief Procurement Officer for the HAC should be empowered for this duty and be included in all executive planning, strategy and operational meetings.

Replacing the procurement code with their own procurement policies and procedures may be problematic for the Hawaii Airport Corporation. The state's competitive procurement processes are to ensure that all potential providers are afforded the opportunity to compete for the required services through established time-tested, fair, and reliable set of rules and processes for award of contracts. Public procurement's primary objective is to give everyone equal opportunity to compete for Government contracts; to prevent favoritism, collusion or fraud in awarding of contracts. HAC should strive to create a system that is fair and transparent, using systems that allow for meaningful business analytics.

Thank you.



TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 658 – RELATING TO AN AIRPORT CORPORATION

Date: Wednesday, February 1, 2017  
Time: 1:15 pm  
Location: Conference Room 225  
Hawaii State Capitol

Aloha Chairwoman Inouye, Vice Chairman Dela Cruz and Members of the Committee,

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in **support** of SB 658. Hawaiian Airlines joins the other members of the Airline Committee of Hawai'i in the conviction that establishing an Airport Corporation would generate manifold benefits to our State by simplifying the process for making badly needed improvements to the system infrastructure.

The operations of the state Airports are fully funded by user fees and underwritten by Hawaiian and the other airlines that carry passengers between and to our Islands. All of us are committed to funding renovations that upgrade the experience encountered by our passengers. The Corporation structure outlined in SB 658 would facilitate completion of those upgrades in a number of ways, including providing consistency in leadership.

Forty-two of the top 100 U.S. Airport operated under similar structures. Please vote to approve this measure.

Sincerely,

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Statement of  
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Chief Executive Officer  
Hawai'i Tourism Authority  
on  
**SB 658 Relating to an Airport Corporation**  
Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy  
Wednesday, February 1, 2017  
1:15pm  
Conference Room 225

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the committee:

The Hawai'i Tourism Authority (HTA) offers the following **comments on** SB658, which would create the Hawaii Airport Corporation within the Department of Transportation to develop, manage, and operate the State's airports and aeronautical facilities.

Improving our airport infrastructure is critical for Hawai'i's tourism industry. Without commenting on the precise structure of the authority, HTA supports the concept of a separate entity tasked with maintaining and improving the airports and focusing on issues affecting airlines and the tourism industry. Such an entity would address the needs of our airport visitors, businesses and airlines in a responsive and timely manner. HTA supports the investment in the state, our infrastructure and Hawai'i's visitor industry.

Mahalo for the opportunity to offer these comments.



**HAWAI'I LODGING & TOURISM**  
**A S S O C I A T I O N**

Testimony of

Mufi Hannemann  
President & CEO  
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Committee on:  
Transportation and Energy  
February 1, 2017 – 1:15 pm

Senate Bill 658: Relating to an Airport Corporation

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and members of the Committee on Transportation and Energy:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. On behalf of the Hawai'i Lodging & Tourism Association, we support Senate Bill 658 which would establish a Hawai'i airport corporation. For HLTA, the state's largest private sector visitor organization, this is one of our major objectives.

The Department of Transportation is a very large state department which is responsible for our roads, harbors, and airports. Our state's airports serve as the first and last impression to those visiting our islands. Given the importance of our airports, we fully support the establishment of a state airport corporation. The corporation would give a laser-like focus to the operations, goal setting, and improvements of our airports, and would allow for quicker and more efficient results.

Our airports serve as our window to the world, and the hospitality industry's continued success is very dependent on the quality provided by our airports; so it is critically important that we improve upon the service, infrastructure, and overall development of such a vital entity. With year-round governance, the corporation would be able to better accommodate our air travelers by providing a higher level of comfort and convenience as well as establish standards and goals in achieving a higher caliber of customer service. It would also provide better transparency and public accountability by engaging stakeholders and all interested parties in the decision-making process.

It is imperative that we keep our airports at the forefront of our state's priorities. Visitors to our islands are always impressed when they experience examples of our Aloha Spirit and the beauty of our Native Hawaiian culture - our airports can be one of the best venues to experience these memorable moments.

We understand that these sorely needed airport improvements will be paid by the airlines and concessionaires that utilize the airports coupled with the existing passenger facility fees already included in the airfares. In short, HLTA enthusiastically supports an independent airport corporation as the over-arching entity to oversee our airports' planning, management and marketing and development; all under one umbrella.

Mahalo for your consideration of Senate Bill 658.



# Maui Hotel & Lodging

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Testimony of

**Lisa H. Paulson**

Executive Director

Maui Hotel & Lodging Association

on

SB 658

**Relating To An Airport Corporation**

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND ENERGY

**Wednesday, February 1, 2017, 1:15 pm**

**Conference Room 225**

Dear Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Committee,

The Maui Hotel & Lodging Association (MHLA) is the legislative arm of the visitor industry. Our membership includes over 175 property and allied business members in Maui County – all of whom have an interest in the visitor industry. Collectively, MHLA's membership employs over 25,000 residents and represents over 19,000 rooms. The visitor industry is the economic driver for Maui County. We are the largest employer of residents on the Island - directly employing approximately 40% of all residents (indirectly, the percentage increases to 75%).

MHLA is **in support** of SB 658, which authorizes the establishment of the Hawaii airport corporation within the department of transportation for administrative purposes on July 1, 2018. Sets out appointment of members to the board of directors and powers and duties of the Hawaii airport corporation. Transfers the aeronautics functions of DOT to the Hawaii airport authority.

MHLA believes that this measure could facilitate the completion of long-needed airport improvement and also create a platform for integrated planning that will greatly benefit the traveling public. These much-needed improvements will be paid for by the airlines and concessionaires that use the airports, together with the existing passenger facility charges already included with every airfare. **There will be no expense to local taxpayers with no public tax dollars used.**

The first and last impressions of our visitors occur at our airports. The hospitality industry's continued progress is very dependent on the quality of our airports. It is vital that we improve upon the service, infrastructure, and overall development of such a vital entity. We support the airport corporation as a single entity to overlook our airport's planning, management, marketing and development.

We respectfully request you consider passing SB 658. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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**Testimony to the Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy  
Wednesday, February 1, 2017  
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**RE: SENATE BILL NO. 658, RELATING TO RELATING TO AN AIRPORT  
CORPORATION**

Chair Inouye and Vice Chair Dela Cruz, and members of the committees:

I am Gladys Quinto Marrone, CEO of the Building Industry Association of Hawaii (BIA-Hawaii). Chartered in 1955, the Building Industry Association of Hawaii is a professional trade organization affiliated with the National Association of Home Builders, representing the building industry and its associates. BIA-Hawaii takes a leadership role in unifying and promoting the interests of the industry to enhance the quality of life for the people of Hawaii.

BIA-HAWAII is in support of S.B. 658 which would authorize the establishment of the Hawaii Airport Corporation within the department of transportation for administrative purposes on July 1, 2018. The bill sets out appointment of members to the board of directors and powers and duties of the Hawaii Airport Corporation, and transfers the aeronautics functions of DOT to the Hawaii airport authority.

We understand that the Airports Division recently completed a study that recommended restructuring toward a more independent airport authority, similar to port authorities on the mainland.

An Airport Corporation would:

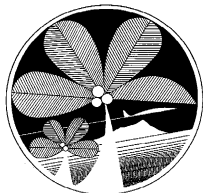
- Make improvements quickly and efficiently;
- Increase transparency and accountability;
- Create a more competitive tourism industry;
- Deliver economic benefits across all sectors;
- Make flying a better experience;
- Foster a better working environment;
- Provide year-round oversight and leadership with a five-member board and CEO;
- Transfer all employees of the state to the corporation without loss of salary, seniority and benefits.

One of the compelling arguments to create an Airport Corporation is that currently, Airports does not use any tax payer funds. All funds used in the airport operations are derived from user fees and assessments within the Airport properties.

While we support the proposal for the Hawaii Airport Corporation we also would encourage imposing policies and procedures that would provide sufficient oversight on the collection and expenditure of the funds raised on Airport properties which are state owned lands.

We appreciate the opportunity to provide our input on this important legislation.

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Honorable Lorraine Inouye, Chair  
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Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy

**Re: SB 658 – RELATING TO AN AIRPORT CORPORATION - SUPPORT**  
Conference Room 225 – 1:15 PM

Aloha Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Committee:

The Airlines Committee of Hawaii\* (ACH), which is made up of 20 signatory air carriers that underwrite the State Airport System, appreciates the opportunity to offer testimony supporting SB 658, which authorizes the establishment of the Hawaii Airport Corporation.

The ACH is in strong support of this measure. SB 658 addresses the many concerns about Hawaii's airports failing to provide a warm and welcoming experience for visitors by creating a means to efficiently and expediently execute much-needed projects at the airports. Experience at other US airports show that airport authorities can develop and implement policies and procedures designed to deliver uniquely complex airport capital programs more effectively and in a more timely fashion, while retaining full public transparency and accountability.

The Hawaii Airport Corporation will be self-sustaining and not require any tax payer dollars; it is fully funded by user fees and underwritten by the airlines serving the State's airport system. The Hawaii Airport Corporation will benefit from consistent leadership that can deliver on a long term vision for the airports.

The ACH supports a Hawaii Airport Corporation and respectfully requests additional language requiring that at least one member of the board have aviation experience in addition to business and management experience.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.

Sincerely,

Blaine Miyasato  
ACH Co-chair

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**Testimony of Sweetie Nelson, Director of Destination Marketing,  
Ko Olina Resort Operators Association  
Before the Senate Committee on Transportation and Energy  
February 1, 2017  
1:15 P.M.**

**Conference Room 225  
Senate Bill No. 658, Relating To An Airport Corporation**

**Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee:**

My name is Sweetie Nelson. I am the director of destination marketing for Ko Olina Resort Operators Association, representing the hotels, resorts and other commercial businesses at Ko Olina.

We strongly support SB 658, which will allow for improved management and operations of the 15 airports throughout these islands, now administered by the state Department of Transportation, Airports Division. The proposed legislation would enable our airports to be run like true self-sustaining businesses.

Every year we hear numerous complaints about the condition of our airports from both visitors and Hawaii residents. For visitors, Hawaii's airports are the first impression and last memory of our islands. I don't believe they represent Hawaii, its culture and people in a manner we can be proud of.

Development of the Atlantis Resort will soon begin at Ko Olina with additional hotel brands, some of which may be new to the Hawaii market, to follow. Attracting new, affluent travel audiences will be essential to growing our visitor industry. These developments and other top-tier properties on other islands will bring tremendous economic benefits to our state, but only if the visitors to these destinations experience a consistent level of quality at every stage of their journey, including their points of arrival and departure.

Hawaii, as a world-class destination, deserves world-class airports. Today, our state's airports are jeopardizing Hawaii's status as a top global vacation destination.

The proposed Airport Corporation can operate like a business, implement best practices that have shown impressive results at other airports and deliver a welcoming experience commensurate with the quality of our state's hospitality infrastructure and tourism product, reflecting the distinct culture and values that make our island home special.

The Airport Corporation will also provide increased transparency and involve the community more extensively in decision-making.

Under the model outlined in this measure, the airlines and concessionaires who benefit from the airports, along with existing passenger facility charges already included with every airfare, will pay for the much-needed improvements to our airports. In short, there will be no expense to local taxpayers.

I urge you to pass this bill to create the world-class airports Hawaii deserves.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this important legislation.



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RE: **SB 658 Relating to Airport Corporation**  
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Dear Chair Inouye and Members of the Committee on Transportation and Energy:

We submit this testimony on behalf of Enterprise Holdings, which includes Enterprise Rent-A-Car, Alamo Rent-A-Car, National Car Rental, Enterprise CarShare and Enterprise RideShare (Van Pool).

Enterprise **supports** S.B. 658, which would authorize the establishment of the Hawaii airport corporation within the Department of Transportation. Enterprise believes it is important to establish an independent airport authority to oversee the transformation of our state airports into world class facilities. A single entity with consolidated jurisdiction over the development, management and operation of Hawaii's airports would streamline processes and improve efficiencies. This would greatly benefit travelers to our islands, as well as all businesses that serve the Hawaii hospitality and tourism market.

For these reasons, we support S.B. 658 and respectfully request that the Committee pass this measure. Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.

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## AIRPORT CONCESSIONAIRES COMMITTEE

Honorable Lorrain Inouye, Chair  
Committee on Transportation and Energy  
Hawaii State Senate  
Hawaii State Capitol

Hearing on February 1, 2017 at 115pm, Room 225

Re: S.B. 658 – Relating To An Airport Corporation

Dear Chair Inouye 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 and historically have 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.

Such a corporation would increase airport revenues and also save airport operations costs. The current approval process is simply too long and typically requires approvals and obvious delays/reviews each step of the way such as with the DOT Director's office, Department of Accounting and General Services and Department of Budget and Finance.

As a result it's not unusual for final approvals to take 9 months , 12 months and at times longer before an approval is granted.

Airports are typically viewed as an economic engine of a city and state at which hundreds of jobs are provided with thousands of business transactions involving tourists, residents and many others each day. Airports in that respect are unlike other government agencies. Airports are an important economic hub and needs to run and operate in a business fashion quickly and efficiently. Such has not been the case under the present arrangement.

In our view, the current process is such that has resulted in the airport losing money due to delays in finalizing contracts and gaining necessary approvals.

The current process is such that before tenant improvements can receive necessary approvals much time passes resulting in higher construction costs to the tenants especially in the present construction market as well as airport projects.

Their simply has to be a better way to avoid losing money and to also avoid both airport tenants and the airport system being faced with higher construction costs.

We respectfully urge you to consider and support an Airport Corporation which is similarly to what many other airport across the United States have recognized as having great benefits and also savings to their community and state.

Thank you for allowing us to testify.

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Would you NOT create additional bureacracy with more state employees with benefits, state financial obligations and debts. Otherwise make the system more efficient by streamlining the authority and consolidating power.

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