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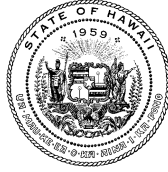
H.B. 2065, H.D. 1
RELATING TO PUBLIC SERVICE OFFICE HOURS

House Committee on Finance

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** H.B. 2065, H.D. 1. The DOT recognizes the importance of exploring alternatives to relieve peak hour congestion on the State Highway System. In addition to the consideration of alternate work hours, the DOT requests that alternate work locations also be included in the study.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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H.B. 2065, HD1

RELATING TO PUBLIC SERVICE OFFICE HOURS

Chair Luke, Vice Chair Cullen, and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on H.B. 2065, HD1.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) offers the following comments.

The DAGS believes that the Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD) should have a member seat within the public service office hours task force. The DHRD has flex time policies and procedures in place within the various departments and would provide valuable input. In addition, the DAGS understands the challenge state employees face when commuting during hours of peak traffic congestion. Prolonged commute times during the work week negatively impact public employee quality of life, wasting countless hours of productive time.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this measure.



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Testimony by
Hawaii Government Employees Association

February 20, 2020

H.B. 2065, H.D. 1 – RELATING TO
PUBLIC SERVICE OFFICE HOURS

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO would like to provide comments on H.B. 2065, H.D. 1 which establishes the Public Service Office Hours Task Force to develop a plan to reduce the number of public employees that commute during hours of peak traffic congestion.

It's widely accepted that traffic in Hawai'i, particularly on Oahu, is at its all-time worst, where according to some studies, drivers waste a yearly average of 92 hours in gridlock. Therefore, we certainly understand the want to create a Public Service Office Hours Task Force to develop a plan to reduce number of public employees that commute during peak hours. With the agreement of the employer and the employees affected, it is possible to alter hours of operation for certain public services. We are pleased to report that we have already executed a variety of memorandums of agreements with our members to create alternative work week schedules, including flexible scheduling and 4/10 work weeks. However, it is important to note that changes to employees' schedules must be negotiated and mutually beneficial to both the employee's and the employer's needs.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on H.B. 2065, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted,

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HB-2065-HD-1

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| cheryl B. | Individual | Support | No |

Comments:

Any way that we can cut the traffic on our island roads is a plus. There should be some way to monitor and account for the people working.

HB-2065-HD-1

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| Ruston Utu | Individual | Support | No |

Comments:

I am in support of this bill. If the start time for jobs were all at different hours of the morning, I think it would really help with the traffic congestion.