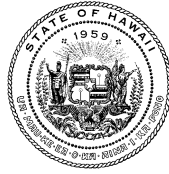


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SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2020, 12:40 P.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 211, STATE CAPITOL

S.B. 2841, SD1

RELATING TO MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE STADIUM AUTHORITY.

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony for S.B. 2841, SD1.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) strongly supports this bill to make an emergency appropriation to the Stadium Authority (Authority) for the purposes of funding payroll, various repair and maintenance costs, contracts for services, and operating equipment.

The DAGS appreciates the Legislature's consideration and support for the Authority's request to increase the special fund ceiling. This would address unbudgeted-unexpected expenditures resulting from a shortfall of available ceiling to continue operations through the second half of the fiscal year. The increase in the special fund ceiling would ensure the continued operations of the Aloha Stadium through fiscal year end.

The continued safe operation of the Aloha Stadium remains paramount to providing this unique venue for the Hawaii community, and this request to increase the Authority's special fund ceiling by \$1,137,708 is essential to cover unbudgeted expenditures that have been identified in the first half of this fiscal year.

These expenditures include the \$206,000 to implement the recommended increase in structural assessments frequency from every two years to annually, and \$470,000 to immediately fund design work to ensure structural repair begins soon after the Authority's requested \$7.7 million in supplemental operating funds for construction are appropriated and released. These project costs have been reviewed and validated by our Public Works Division as necessary to be implemented within this calendar year to address the increasing corrosion damage before incremental shut-down of sections of the stadium is the only way to protect public and employee health and safety.

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



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in consideration of

SB 2841, SD1
**RELATING TO MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION
TO THE STADIUM AUTHORITY**

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the committee.

The Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) **supports SB 2841, SD1**, which appropriates emergency funds for the Stadium Authority to ensure a safe facility for the general public.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on **SB 2841, SD1**.