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SENATE COMMITTEES ON
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S.B. 997
RELATING TO THE STADIUM AUTHORITY.

Chairs Wakai, Thielen, Vices Chair Taniguchi, Inouye, and Members of the Committees, thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony on S.B. 997.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) supports the intent of S.B. 997. DAGS supports the optimal use of public land for the benefit of the people of Hawaii. DAGS supports the completion of the Aloha Stadium, Master Plan and Environmental Impact Study with funds appropriated by Act 49, SLH 2017. The scope includes studies and related planning work for the demolition of the existing Aloha Stadium and for the development and construction of a new stadium facility for the State of Hawaii. Consideration includes mixed use development of the entire Aloha Stadium site. Based on the results of the study, stakeholders can properly plan next steps.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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RELATING TO THE STADIUM AUTHORITY

Chairs Wakai, Thielen, Vice Chairs Taniguchi, Inouye, and members of the respective committees, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of SB997.

The Stadium Authority Board and I appreciate the Legislature's commitment and support for a stadium complex development plan that will include and support a multi-purpose stadium facility and ancillary development. We are in SUPPORT of SB997.

To be clear, SB997 is intended to complement pending legislation HB1497 and SB1530. The proposed language in SB997 clarifies and expands the Authority's powers and duties to provide flexibility, both in the near term, if the legislature seeks to transfer title from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and also long term, past the development period when Hawaii Community Development Authority's (HCDA) involvement ramps down as the stadium enters operational mode.

It is the Authority's expectation that the expansion of powers and duties will enable it to work more effectively in conjunction with HCDA and capitalize on the development expertise and experience within HCDA. To achieve the agencies' shared goals, the Stadium Authority is

committed to working collaboratively with HCDA to capitalize on each entity's strengths, assets, and knowledge base to achieve greater efficiencies and economies of scale. These efforts are supported in SB1530 and companion HB1497, HD1.

The Authority looks to this bill to provide the structure necessary to be as efficient in processes as possible, thereby minimizing delays and maintaining control over cost. It is the Authority's focus and expectation to pursue optimal use of public land for the benefit of the people of Hawaii.

We look forward to working with the Hawaii Community Development Authority, the State of Hawaii Legislature, and the Governor's Administration to comprehensively and holistically build a framework that will meet the goals, objectives, and mission statement of the Stadium Authority.

Mahalo for the opportunity to provide this testimony in support of the concept and intent of SB997.