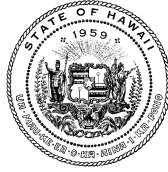


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WRITTEN TESTIMONY  
OF  
CURT T. OTAGURO, COMPTROLLER  
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TO THE  
COMMITTEES ON  
ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM  
AND  
WATER AND LAND

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 17, 2021, 3:00 P.M.  
CONFERENCE ROOM 224, STATE CAPITOL

H.B. 1348, H.D. 2

RELATING TO THE STADIUM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Chairs Wakai and Inouye, Vice Chairs Misalucha and Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committees, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on H.B. 1348, H.D. 2.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) strongly supports and appreciates H.B. 1348, H.D. 2, and offers the following revisions to more fully enable the intent of Act 268, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019, and to provide necessary powers, appropriations, and guidance to ensure optimal development of the stadium development district for the enjoyment of Hawaii's residents and visitors.

1. To give the Stadium Authority full administrative oversight of the Stadium development district special fund, establish the Stadium development district special fund under the Stadium Authority:
  - a. Revise Part II, Section 6, page 17, lines 5 -10 to read:

“SECTION 6. Chapter 109, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

**“§109- Stadium development special fund; established.”**

(a) There is established in the state treasury another special fund to be known as the stadium development special fund, into which funds collected by the stadium authority shall be deposited, including:”

b. Amend Part III, Section 11, Page 26, lines 15 - 16, as follows:

“(36) Stadium development special fund under section [~~206E~~—]109- ,”

c. Amend Part III, Section 12 of the Bill, Page 30, lines 1-2 as follows:

“(30) Stadium development special fund under section [~~206E~~—]109- ,”

2. To sunset the existing Stadium special fund as established in Section 109-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, after such time that all remaining balance within the fund may be fully applied, used, and disposed of by the Stadium Authority, add new part (c) in Part II, Section 9, page 19, after line 2, to read:

“(c) Upon the effective date of Act \_\_\_\_\_, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021, the stadium special fund established herein is abolished, and all appropriations, encumbrances, and the remaining unencumbered balance shall be transferred to the stadium development special fund.”

3. To designate the stadium authority as the expending agency:

a. Amend Part V, Section 14 of the Bill, Page 33, lines 11 – 19 as follows:

“SECTION 14. Act 268, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019, is amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

“SECTION 7A. The ~~[Hawaii Community Development Authority]~~stadium authority, as the designated expending agency for capital improvement projects authorized in this Act, may delegate to other state agencies the implementation of projects when it is determined advantageous to do so by ~~[both the Hawaii community development authority]~~ the stadium authority, as the original expending agency and the agency to which expending authority is to be delegated.”

- b. Amend Part V, Section 16, Page 35, line 1 through page 36, line 3 as follows:

"SECTION 6. (a) The director of finance is authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the sum of \$170,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2019-2020 to the ~~[Hawaii community development authority]~~ stadium authority for the stadium development district; provided that the appropriation made for the capital improvement project authorized by this section shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made; provided further that all moneys from the appropriation unencumbered as of June 30, ~~2022,~~ 2024, shall lapse as of that date.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the ~~[Hawaii community development authority]~~stadium authority for the purposes of this Act.

(b) The director of finance is authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the sum of \$180,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary and

the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2021-2022 to the [Hawaii community development authority] stadium authority for the stadium development district; provided that the appropriation made for the capital improvement project authorized by this section shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made; provided further that all moneys from the appropriation unencumbered as of June 30, 2024, shall lapse as of that date."

4. To enhance and strengthen the dynamic relationship between the partnering agencies primarily supporting the implementation and management of the stadium development district, DAGS recommends revising Part II, Section 10, page 22, line 11, through page 23, line 6, as follows:

“SECTION 10. Section 206E-225, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**"[~~§~~206E-225] Stadium development district governance; memorandum of agreement.** Notwithstanding [~~section~~] sections 206E-3[~~, for~~] and 206E-4.1, the stadium authority established pursuant to section 109-1 shall have sole jurisdiction regarding matters affecting the stadium development district[~~, the~~]; [provided that the executive director of the Hawaii community development authority shall serve directly under the stadium authority for those matters;] provided [further] that the Hawaii community development authority, department of accounting and general services, and the stadium authority shall enter into a memorandum of agreement regarding implementation responsibilities of the respective agencies. [~~The executive director of the Hawaii community development authority, state comptroller, and the stadium~~

~~authority shall also execute a memorandum of agreement with the appropriate state agencies, as needed.]"~~

The DAGS continues to collaborate closely with the Stadium Authority and the Hawaii Community Development Authority to ensure our on-going project efforts coincide with the future goals to bring benefit in the best interests of the State and its people.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on this matter.

**HB-1348-HD-2**

Submitted on: 3/16/2021 7:52:50 AM

Testimony for EET on 3/17/2021 3:00:00 PM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Christine Kinimaka	Testifying for DAGS	Support	No

Comments:

I am available for comments.

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TESTIMONY  
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ALOHA STADIUM  
STADIUM AUTHORITY  
TO THE  
SENATE COMMITTEES  
ON  
ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM  
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MARCH 17, 2021, 3:00 P.M.  
CONFERENCE ROOM 224 & VIDEOCONFERENCE

H.B. 1348, H.D. 2  
RELATING TO THE STADIUM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Chairs Wakai and Inouye, Vice Chairs Misalucha and Keith-Agaran, and members of the respective committees, thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony strongly supporting HB 1348, H.D. 2.

We appreciate the Legislature's support and view the intent of this measure as a critical and essential component to providing the State of Hawaii – Stadium Authority with the ability to move forward in a careful, judicious, yet expeditious manner. We have been working closely with the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) and support their position and testimony submitted on this measure. DAGS' comments are the product of many hours of collaborative work with subject matter experts in departments across the executive branch, as well as invaluable consultation and guidance from the Legislature and the Administration. We believe this comprehensive product provides the impetus required to bring the stadium development district project to fruition and clarifies roles and responsibilities of all parties involved, while fostering a collaborative process and platform on which to move forward.

In an effort to ensure short and long term project success; of note, this measure includes revision of development guidance policies for the Stadium Authority, clarifies roles between the Stadium Authority and the Hawaii Community Development Authority, authorizes the Stadium Authority to hold title to real property, establishes a stadium development special fund, exempts land to which the Stadium Authority hold title, and amends the general bond authorization enabled through Act 268, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019.

HB 1348, H.B. 2 (EET/WTL)  
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Thank you for your ongoing support and guidance over the years and for the opportunity to provide this testimony in strong support of HB 1348, H.D. 2.



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**WRITTEN ONLY**

TESTIMONY BY CRAIG K. HIRAI  
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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,  
AND TOURISM AND WATER AND LAND  
ON  
HOUSE BILL NO. 1348, H.D. 2

**March 17, 2021**  
**3:00 p.m.**  
**Room 224 and Videoconference**

RELATING TO THE STADIUM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The Department of Budget and Finance (B&F) offers comments on House Bill (H.B.) No. 1348, H.D. 2.

H.B. No. 1348, H.D. 2, establishes the Stadium Development Special Fund (SDSF) to be administered by the Stadium Authority (SA) into which shall be deposited:

1. All revenues from the Stadium Development District (SDD).
2. All gifts or grants awarded in any form from any public agency or from any other source for purposes of the SDD.
3. All proceeds from revenue bonds issued by the SA.
4. Appropriations made by the Legislature to the fund.

SDSF funds are directed to be used by the SA for the payment of expenses arising from any and all use, operation, repair, maintenance, alteration, improvement, or any unforeseen or unplanned repairs of the SDD.

The bill also amends the general bond authorization made in Act 268, SLH 2019; revises the general development guidance policies for the SDD; broadens the powers

and duties of the SA; exempts land to which the SA holds the title from the definition of “public lands”; authorizes the Hawai'i Community Development Authority, with approval by the Governor, to delegate to other State agencies implementation of capital improvement projects, under certain conditions; broadens the representation of the SA by adding two members to its membership; and makes the financial disclosures of members of the SA public records pursuant to Section 84-17(d), HRS.

As a matter of general policy, B&F does not support the creation of special funds that do not meet the requirements of Section 37-52.3, HRS. Special funds should:

1) reflect a clear nexus between the benefits sought and charges made upon the users or beneficiaries of the program; 2) provide an appropriate means of financing for the program or activity; and 3) demonstrate the capacity to be financially self-sustaining.

Regarding H.B. No. 1348, H.D. 2, it is unclear if the sources of revenues will be able to adequately support the SDSF aside from appropriations into the special fund.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.



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Statement of  
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Hawaii Community Development Authority  
before the

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM**  
And  
**SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND**

Wednesday, March 17, 2021  
3:00 P.M.  
VIA Videoconference  
State Capitol, Conference Room 224

In consideration of  
**HB 1348, HD 2, RELATING TO THE STADIUM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Chairs Wakai and Inouye, Vice Chairs Misalucha and Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committees. As background, the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA), Department of Accounting and General Services, and the Stadium Authority have been discussing this bill and the Senate version. HCDA respectfully offers **comments suggesting amendments** to this measure, as follows:

1. Part II, Section 6, Pages 17-19

In order to facilitate the ease of releasing and using of funds needed by the Stadium Authority, we suggest that the stadium development special fund be moved from Chapter 206E to Chapter 109.

2. Part II, Section 10, Pages 22 to 23

To clarify the respective roles of the agencies supporting the implementation and management of the stadium development district, we recommend the changes as follows:

SECTION 10. Section 206E—225, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**§206E-225 Stadium development district governance; memorandum of agreement.** Notwithstanding ~~[section]~~ sections 206E-3 ~~[, for]~~ and 206E-4.1, the stadium authority established pursuant to section 109-1 shall have sole jurisdiction regarding matters affecting the stadium development district ~~[, the];~~ ~~[provided that the executive director of the Hawaii community development authority shall serve directly under the stadium authority for those matters;]~~ provided ~~[further]~~ that the stadium authority shall enter into a memorandum of agreement with the Hawaii community development authority, and the department of accounting and general services regarding the implementation of responsibilities of the respective agencies. ~~[The executive director of the Hawaii community development authority, state comptroller, and the stadium authority shall execute a memorandum of agreement with the appropriate state agencies [,], as needed.]~~

3. Part III, Section 11, Pages 23 to 26

In connection with our suggestion to move the stadium special development fund from Chapter 206E to Chapter 109, we suggest the following change:

“(36) Stadium development special fund under Section 109-\_\_\_\_\_.”

4. Part III, Section 12, Pages 27 to 30

In connection with our suggestion to move the stadium special development fund from Chapter 206E to Chapter 109, we suggest the following change:

“(30) Stadium development special fund under Section 109-\_\_\_\_\_.”

5. Part V, Section 14, Page 33

In connection with our suggestion to move the stadium special development fund from Chapter 206E to Chapter 109 and to specify the stadium authority as the expending agency, we suggest the following change:

SECTION 14. Act 268, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019, is 12 amended by adding a new section to read as follows:

SECTION 7A. The stadium authority [~~Hawaii community development authority~~], as the designated expending agency for capital improvement projects authorized in this Act, may delegate to other state agencies the implementation of projects when it is determined advantageous to do so by both the [~~Hawaii community development authority~~] stadium authority as the original expending agency and the agency to which expending authority is to be delegated.

6. Part V, Section 16, Pages 34 to 36

In order to reflect that the stadium authority, rather than the Hawaii community development authority, is the expending agency, we suggest the following changes:

SECTION 16. Act 268, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019, as amended by Act 4, Session Laws of Hawaii 2020, is amended by amending section 6 to read as follows:

SECTION 6. (a) The director of finance is authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the sum of \$170,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2019-2020 to the [~~Hawaii community development~~] stadium authority for the stadium development district; provided that the appropriation made for the capital improvement project authorized by this section shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made; provided further that all moneys from the appropriation unencumbered as of June 30, [~~2022,~~] 2024, shall lapse as of that date.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the [~~Hawaii community development~~] stadium authority for the purposes of this Act.

(b) The director of finance is authorized to issue general obligation bonds in the sum of \$180,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2021-2022 to the stadium authority for the stadium development district; provided that the appropriation made for the capital improvement project authorized by this section shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year for which the appropriation is made; provided further that all moneys from the appropriation unencumbered as of June 30, 2024, shall lapse as of that date.

We have been collaborating with the Department of Accounting and General Services, and the Stadium Authority on the Senate version of this bill. Those agencies may offer comments on other sections of this bill.

As HCDA continues its mission to join the strengths of private enterprise, public development and regulation into a new form capable of long-range planning and implementation of improved community development, we thank the legislature and community for its guidance and support.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.



# UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

## Legislative Testimony

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Testimony Presented Before the  
Senate Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism  
and  
Senate Committee on Water and Land  
March 17, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.  
by  
Kalbert K. Young  
Vice President for Budget and Finance/Chief Financial Officer  
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### HB 1348 HD2 – RELATING TO THE STADIUM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

Chairs Wakai and Inouye, Vice Chairs Misalucha and Keith-Agaran, and members of the Committees:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony today. The University of Hawai'i (UH) is supportive of House Bill No. 1348 HD2, Relating to the Stadium Development District, and requests further amendments to the bill where it relates to the UH. Among a number of things, this bill seeks to establish a special fund, broadens development authority of the Stadium Authority, amends the bond financing structure for the new stadium project, and adds two members to the Stadium Authority.

The UH requests that the bill be revised to allow the UH representative to have a vote on the Stadium Authority Board. Considering that the new stadium project is primarily for, and will rely on the UH use of the stadium as a major activity, it is more prudent to ensure that UH is a contributing participatory decision maker in the Authority decisions. I recommend the bill (page 7, lines 4 through 9) be amended, as follows:

Each member of the authority shall have been a citizen of the United States and a resident of the State for at least five years next preceding the member's appointment. The eleven members shall include the president of the University of Hawaii and the superintendent of education, or their designated representatives, who shall be ex-officio members of the authority [~~but shall not vote~~].

The inclusion of the UH President to the Stadium Authority Board originated out of the recognition that UH athletics was a primary anchor of the stadium and a foremost purpose for the stadium itself. This purpose remains a prominent component of the planned new stadium and the broader stadium district project. Having the UH President, or their designee, serve in a full capacity on the Stadium Authority will ensure that the broader project and eventual operation of the completed project has the governance input and involvement of one of the primary users and beneficiaries.

Lastly, the UH recently provided a list of desired objectives to the State's project leadership (Department of Accounting and General Services) that should be incorporated as business outcomes as part of the structure for the new stadium and district project. Those items can be more thoroughly considered once the State gets underway negotiating terms with the project partners.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Testimony of  
Pacific Resource Partnership

Senate Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism  
The Honorable Glen Wakai, Chair  
The Honorable Bennette E. Misalucha, Vice Chair

Senate Committee on Water and Land  
The Honorable Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair  
The Honorable Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair

HB1348 HD2—Relating to the Stadium Development District

Wednesday, March 17, 2021  
3:00 P.M.  
Conference Room 224

Aloha Chairs Wakai and Inouye, Vice Chairs Misalucha and Keith-Agaran, and Members of the Committees:

Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP) writes in strong support of HB1348 HD1.

The passage of HB1348 HD1 is a critical step towards creating a new stadium, maximizing the development potential of the 98-acre campus with housing and commercial/retail, and developing a transit-oriented community facilitated by a robust multimodal transportation network. Moreover, in this COVID-19 environment, Hawaii faces an economic crisis without parallel in its history as a state. The University of Hawaii Economic Research Organization (UHERO) predicts that Hawaii employment will not return to 2019 levels before 2026. The development of the new stadium before late 2023 will help with the economic recovery of the state by creating more jobs during these difficult times.

Given the above, we respectfully request your favorable decision on this measure. Thank you for this opportunity to submit written testimony.







The Thirty-First Legislature, State of Hawaii  
The Senate  
Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism  
Committee on Water and Land

Testimony by  
Hawaii Government Employees Association

March 17, 2021

H.B. 1348, H.D. 2 — RELATING TO THE  
STADIUM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO **strongly opposes one specific provision of H.B. 1348, H.D. 2, beginning on page 9, line 20 which would strip state employees of their collective bargaining and civil service rights.**

Section 2 of H.B. 1348 allows the Stadium Authority to hire officers, agents, and employees without regard to Chapters 76 and 89, Hawaii Revised Statutes, effectively stripping current employees of their collective bargaining and civil service rights. Exempting employees from civil service and excluding employees from the right to collectively bargain creates a government workplace of “at will” employment with minimal employee rights. While we can understand the current statutory language that allows for the Manager, Deputy Manager, and Executive Secretary positions are be “at will,” we strongly oppose denying employment protections for all other staff without having further information on the classification of these positions. Collectively, the expansion of excluding and exempting positions in state government is in direct conflict with the Article XVI, Section 1 of the Hawaii State Constitution and state law which establish a merit-based civil service system free from coercive political influences.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in opposition to the provisions that would diminish state government employees’ rights and benefits.

Respectfully submitted,

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# GCA of Hawaii

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TO: HONORABLE GLENN WAKAI, CHAIR, HONORABLE BENNETTE MISALUCHA, VICE CHAIR, COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM. HONORABLE LORRAINE INOUE, CHAIR, HONORABLE GILBERT KEITH-AGARAN, VICE CHAIR

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF H.B. 1348 HD2, RELATING TO THE STADIUM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.** Establishes the stadium development district special fund. Revises the general development guidance policies for the stadium development district and clarifies the respective roles the stadium authority and Hawaii community development authority in the development of the stadium development district. Broadens the powers and duties of the stadium authority, including authorizing the stadium authority to acquire and hold title to real property. Exempts land to which the stadium authority holds title from the definition of "public lands." Authorizes the Hawaii community development authority, with approval from the governor, to delegate to other state agencies implementation of capital improvement projects, under certain conditions. Adds two members to the stadium authority. Amends the general bond authorization made by Act 268, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019. Makes the financial disclosures of members of the stadium authority public records.

#### HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, March 17, 2021  
TIME: 3:00 p.m.  
PLACE: Capitol Room 224

Dear Chairs Wakai and Inouye, Vice Chairs Misalucha and Keith-Agaran and Members of the Committee,

The General Contractors Association of Hawaii (GCA) is an organization comprised of approximately five hundred (500) general contractors, subcontractors, and construction related firms. The GCA was established in 1932 and is the largest construction association in the State of Hawaii. Our mission is to elevate Hawaii's construction industry and strengthen the foundation of our community.

GCA is in **Support** of H.B. 1348 H.D.2, which will not only allow the Stadium Development District to upgrade its sports facilities, but also allow the State to develop critical infrastructure and transit oriented development. This measure ensures the proper development of the stadium area by broadening the powers and duties of the stadium authority.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in support this measure.

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March 16, 2021

**RE: H.B. 1348 H.D. 2 RELATING TO THE STADIUM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Dear Chair Wakai and Chair Inouye,

My name is Myles Miyasato and I am the Executive Director representing the Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund (HOEISF). We are a labor management fund representing 3000 unionized members in the heavy engineering site work and 500 general contractors specializing in heavy site and vertical construction. Hawaii Operating Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund **strongly supports the passing of H.B. 1348 H.D. 2.**

This measure will ensure immediate and long-term project success. It includes the revision of development guidance policies for the Stadium Authority, clarifies roles between the Stadium Authority and the Hawaii Community Development Authority, authorizes the Stadium Authority to hold title to real property, establishes a stadium development special fund, exempts land to which the Stadium Authority hold title, and amends the general bond authorization enabled through Act 268, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019.

H.B. 1348 H.D. 2 allows the state to leverage the best of public and private sector investment in a way that large government projects typically have not done well. The Aloha Stadium project presents a unique opportunity for Hawaii to upgrade needed sports facilities, develop critical infrastructure, and provide for much-needed affordable housing in an important transit-oriented development district. Thank you for this opportunity to submit written testimony in support of H.B. 1348 H.D. 2.

Sincerely,

Myles Miyasato  
Executive Director

Hawaii Operating Engineers  
Industry Stabilization Fund



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March 17, 2021

The Honorable Glenn Wakai, Chair  
The Honorable Bennette E. Misalucha, Vice Chair  
and members  
The Senate Committee on Energy, Economic Development and Tourism

The Honorable Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair  
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**RE: SUPPORT for HB1348 HD2, RELATING TO THE STADIUM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Dear Chair Luke, Vice-Chair Cullen and members,

The Hawai'i Construction Alliance is comprised of the Hawai'i Regional Council of Carpenters; the Laborers' International Union of North America, Local 368; the Operative Plasterers' and Cement Masons' Union, Local 630; International Union of Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers, Local 1; and the Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 3. Together, the member unions of the Hawai'i Construction Alliance represent 15,000 working men and women in the basic crafts of Hawai'i's construction industry.

The Hawaii Construction Alliance is in support of establishing a stadium development district and redeveloping the stadium that is no longer structurally sound.

HB1348 allows the state to leverage the best of public and private sector investment in a way that large government projects typically have not done well.

The Aloha Stadium project presents a unique opportunity for Hawaii to upgrade needed sports facilities, develop critical infrastructure, and provide for much-needed affordable housing in an important transit-oriented development district.

The proposed Stadium Development District structure aligns with the way other major development districts in Hawaii are best governed.

Therefore, we strongly ask for your committee's favorable action on HB1348 HD2.

Mahalo,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nathaniel Kinney". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized initial 'N' and 'K'.

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**Meeting: Senate EET/WTL  
Date: Wednesday, March 17, 2021  
Time: 3:00 p.m.  
Place: Via Video Conference**

**RE: SUPPORT for HB1348 HD2 Relating to the  
Stadium Development District**

Chairs Wakai and Lee, Vice Chairs Misalucha and Inouye, and  
Committee Members,

The Hawaii Laborers' Union Local 368 and its nearly 5000 working  
and retired men and women across the state of Hawaii **SUPPORTS**  
**HB1348 HD2 Relating to Aloha Stadium.**

HB1348 HD2 is an important first step in rethinking the stadium  
district and how it can be developed into a vibrant community for  
generations to come. The concept of the stadium development district  
takes into account transit-oriented housing, as well as entertainment,  
and retail and restaurants. All the things that are needed to create a  
vibrant and well thought out live, work, and play community.

Furthermore, a project such as this will help to bolster an already  
suffering economy due to the COVID-19 pandemic, by creating much  
needed jobs and tax revenue for the State during this period of  
economic recovery.

Therefore, the Hawaii Laborers' Union Local 368 **SUPPORTS** HB1348  
HD2, and humbly requests that your committees do the same.

Respectfully,  
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March 16, 2021

**RE: H.B. 1348 H.D. 2 RELATING TO THE STADIUM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT**

Dear Chair Wakai and Chair Inouye,

My name is Analeseanoa Tuiasosopo, I am the District Representative of the Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3. We represent 3000 unionized members specializing in heavy site and vertical construction. The Operating Engineers Local Union No. 3 **strongly supports the passing of H.B. 1348 H.D. 2.**

This measure will ensure immediate and long-term project success. It includes the revision of development guidance policies for the Stadium Authority, clarifies roles between the Stadium Authority and the Hawaii Community Development Authority, authorizes the Stadium Authority to hold title to real property, establishes a stadium development special fund, exempts land to which the Stadium Authority hold title, and amends the general bond authorization enabled through Act 268, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019.

H.B. 1348 H.D. 2 allows the state to leverage the best of public and private sector investment in a way that large government projects typically have not done well. The Aloha Stadium project presents a unique opportunity for Hawaii to upgrade needed sports facilities, develop critical infrastructure, and provide for much-needed affordable housing in an important transit-oriented development district. Thank you for this opportunity to submit written testimony in support of H.B. 1348 H.D. 2.

Sincerely,

Analeseanoa Tuiasosopo  
District Representative