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Statement of  
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Before the

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM**

Tuesday, March 19, 2024  
1:15 PM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 229

In consideration of  
**H.B. 2370, HD1**  
**RELATING TO THE STADIUM AUTHORITY**

Chair DeCoite, Vice Chair Wakai and Members of the Committee.

The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) supports House Bill 2370, HD1 which proposes amendments to section 109-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes to clarify the requirement to establish a quorum to do business and validate acts of the Stadium Authority.

The current statute is not specific on the requirement for establishing a quorum and the voting requirement to adopt a measure. The Stadium Authority board has had trouble in meeting the quorum requirement set forth in section 92-15, HRS, due to vacancies and a lack of clarity in section 109-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes with its application to non-voting members. This bill will clarify that a majority of the Stadium Authority's currently appointed voting members is required to do business, and the concurrence of a majority of the Stadium Authority's currently appointed voting members is required to take official action.

To maintain consistency with amendments this committee made to its companion bill, Senate Bill 3059, we respectfully request that line 4 and 5 of page 7 be amended to read:

*(b) The chairperson of the stadium authority shall be elected by the majority of the voting members of the stadium authority.*

By establishing clear requirements for quorum and conducting official Stadium Authority business, the public will benefit from transparent and accountable decision-making processes. It enhances public trust in the Authority's actions, as citizens can be confident that decisions are made by a legitimate and representative body.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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