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Comments:

Hello Chair, Vice Chair, and members of the committee,

I urge our lawmakers and community to support HB 792, which would create the Office of the Legislative Analyst. This office is essential for increasing transparency, accountability, and informed decision-making in our legislative process. By ensuring independent, data-driven analysis, we can better advocate for policies that serve the people and the ‘āina.

For our communities in Hawai‘i, this means more equitable and effective legislation that truly reflects the needs of our people. Whether it’s addressing the housing crisis, environmental protection, or workers’ rights, having a dedicated office to provide unbiased research will help create policies that are rooted in facts and long-term solutions—not just political interests. This is a step toward a government that listens, learns, and acts in the best interest of its people.

Let’s stand together for a stronger, more accountable Hawai‘i.

Me ke aloha ‘āina,

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