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Statement of
JAMES KUNANE TOKIOKA
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before the
SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Wednesday, February 19, 2025
9:45 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 016

In consideration of
SB 1337, SD1
RELATING TO THE STADIUM AUTHORITY.

Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Gabbard, and members of the Committee.

The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) supports SB1337, SD1, which proposes amendments to Section 109-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS), 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 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.

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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Testimony for JDC on 2/19/2025 9:45:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ellen Awai	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support SB1337.SD1. Apparently this may be an issue with the Halawa Stadium that have existed for years so the grounds seem to be deteriorating due to mismanagement. Hopefully this will assist in getting the stadium available for our youth to enjoy and not hinder it's restoration efforts!