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Statement of
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before the
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS
Wednesday, 2/12/2020
10:30 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 325

in consideration of
HB 2207, HD1
RELATING TO LAND USE.

Chair Yamane, Vice Chair Todd and Members of the House Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs.

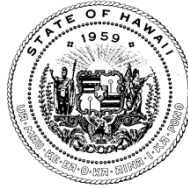
The Office of Planning (OP) **supports** this measure which requires that the Office of Planning conduct a land use study for Hauula, Oahu in order to assess mid-term solutions and long-term options and respectfully offers the following **comments**.

Should the measure pass, the OP Coastal Zone Management (OP-CZM) Program would support the activities in this measure and can serve as a convening and facilitating entity to identify key stakeholders across jurisdictions that have an interest in the area and would be impacted by any mid-term and long-term activities to maintain the transit corridor.

However, a land use study would be in addition to OP-CZM staff's already full-time obligations. Thus, the OP requests an appropriation in the amount of \$250,000 in order to conduct a land use study to meet the specifications as described in this measure, provided that it does not adversely affect the executive budget.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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H.B. 2207, H.D. 1
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The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** H.B. 2207, H.D. 1. The DOT recognizes the importance of supporting resiliency efforts to address sea level rise and other extreme weather events and is undertaking efforts to evaluate the vulnerabilities of our State Highway System. The DOT also recognizes that developing a long-term strategic plan to address existing issues and increase the resiliency of our State Highway System will require collaboration with the planning agencies and coastal managers statewide.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

HB-2207-HD-1

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Testimony for WLH on 2/12/2020 10:30:00 AM



Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dylan P. Armstrong	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I am in support of Rep. Yamane's House Bill 2207.

I am in strong support of long-range planning for our disadvantaged upper Windward communities like Hau'ula. Current infrastructure in the area is a long-term tax liability to the state. The implementing departments can continue to react to ongoing problems, but the state must exercise leadership in planning for a future that is not so needlessly wasteful of money and our residents' time. Hau'ula residents have some of the longest travel times of any O'ahu commuters, and many have homes or other assets, including community resources, that are threatened by climate change. This measure is appropriately ordered towards solutions relevant to the problems I have raised. Please vote for HB2207.

Thanks,
Dylan P. Armstrong