

HB-774

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Bruce	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

In full support.



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Statement of
DEEPAK NEUPANE, P.E., AIA
Executive Director
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before the

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER & LAND
Thursday, February 11, 2021
8:30 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 430

In consideration of
HB 774
RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS.

Chair Tarnas, Vice Chair Branco and members of the Committee. The Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) **supports** the intent of HB 774 and offers following **comments**. HB 774 establishes the Pulehunui community development district for the purposes of developing public lands in Pulehunui, Maui, to provide suitable recreational, residential, educational, industrial, governmental, and commercial areas where the public can live, congregate, recreate, attend schools, and shop as part of a thoughtfully integrated community. HB 774 also establishes the Pulehunui community development authority placed within the HCDA for administrative purposes.

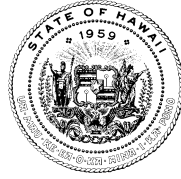
The "Authority", defined in HB 774 as the Pulehunui community development authority, may engage in planning, designing, and construction activities within and outside the district. The Authority may also borrow or accept grants from the federal government for or in aid of any development project it is authorized to undertake.

We note that staff to support the authority established in this measure will be essential in implementing its policies and programs which may include planning, design and construction as well as accounting for federal loans and grants. We request that the committee consider providing funding for administrative staff support to the Authority as well as staff to implement its policies and programs.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments.

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TESTIMONY OF WILLIAM J. AILA, JR, CHAIRMAN
HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION
BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON WATER & LAND
HEARING ON FEBRUARY 11, 2021 AT 8:30AM VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

HB 774 RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS

February 11, 2021

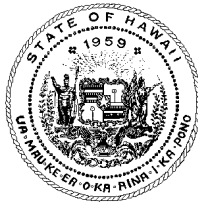
Aloha Chair Tarnas, Vice Chair Branco, and members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of House Bill 774. This bill establishes the Pulehunui community development authority as an autonomous community development authority under the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA) for the purposes of developing the Pulehunui community development district and authorizes the HCDA to obtain various forms of federal funding for construction, maintenance, and development projects in the Pulehunui community development district.

The Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL) has been leading an effort to develop a regional infrastructure master plan to serve certain State lands in Pulehunui in a manner that is financially and environmentally efficient, maximizing the use of State funds while minimizing environmental impacts to the extent practicable. The Pulehunui community development district proposed in this bill does not include the parcels DHHL owns in Pulehunui, but are adjacent to DHHL lands. DHHL supports any effort toward obtaining funds to develop in this area.

Thank you for your consideration of our testimony.

DAVID Y. IGE
GOVERNOR



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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 774
RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS.

by
Max N. Otani, Director
Department of Public Safety

House Committee on Water and Land
Representative David A. Tarnas, Chair
Representative Patrick Pihana Branco, Vice Chair

February 11, 2021; 8:30 a.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 430
Via Videoconference

Chair Tarnas, Vice Chair Branco, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) **supports** House Bill (HB) 774, which seeks to establish the Pulehunui community development district on the Island of Maui as a community development district within the authority of the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA), and which would authorize the HCDA to obtain various forms of financial aid from the federal government for projects of the authority.

PSD believes that collaboration with the federal government through financial aid and loan would ensure economic development in the Pulehunui district.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.

DAVID Y. IGE
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WRITTEN TESTIMONY
OF
CURT T. OTAGURO, COMPTROLLER
DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES
TO THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
WATER AND LAND

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2021, 8:30 A.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 430, STATE CAPITOL

H.B. 774

RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS.

Chair Tarnas, Vice Chair Branco, and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony supporting the intent of this bill.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) is committed to providing planning, construction management and project management expertise to build the new MCCC facility when appropriate. We look forward to collaborating with the other departments involved and following their lead.

In addition, we recommend the following revisions on page 6, lines 3-6:

- (2) [~~Hawaiian~~ ~~at~~] Archaeological, historic [~~at~~], and cultural sites shall be preserved and protected in accordance with chapter 6E;
- (3) Endangered species of flora and fauna shall be preserved to the extent [~~feasible~~] required by law;

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this matter.

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February 9, 2021

TO: Honorable David A. Tarnas, Chair
House Committee on Water and Land

FROM: Alice L. Lee
Council Chair 

DATE: February 11, 2021

SUBJECT: **SUPPORT OF HB 774, RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS**

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in **support** of this important measure. The purpose of this measure is to create a development district that will provide an integrated experience of housing, education, and commercial facilities.

The Maui County Council has not had the opportunity to take a formal position on this measure. Therefore, I am providing this testimony in my capacity as an individual member of the Maui County Council.

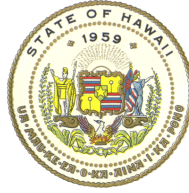
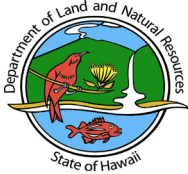
I support this measure for the following reasons:

1. This measure would help support the development of much-needed housing units in Maui County.
2. This measure would help ensure skilled employees stay in Maui County, providing economic and social benefits to the community, instead of leaving because of a lack of housing options.

For the foregoing reasons, I **support** this measure.

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**Testimony of
SUZANNE D. CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the House Committee on
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The proposed Pulehunui community development district would include the parcel that serves as the project site for the Department's proposed industrial and business park. The Department desires to develop an approximately 280-acre portion of the property identified as Tax Map Key (2) 3-8-008:001 for a light industrial and business park. The Department intends to lease a variety of small, medium and large lots to private lessees for the purpose of generating income to support the Department's resource protection programs. This project will also require the provision of necessary infrastructure, including water and wastewater systems. The Department has been working with other State and county agencies in order to address these issues. This measure would provide a significant financial opportunity to successfully provide the necessary infrastructure to not only the Department's project, but other proposed State and County projects in the immediate vicinity.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on this measure.

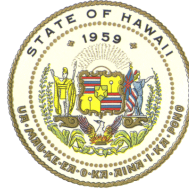
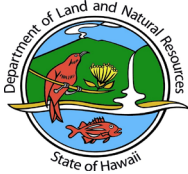
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