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February 11, 2016 3:00 p.m. Conference Room 229

Senate Bill 3115, "RELATING TO TAXICABS" Position: Supports the Intent

TO: The Honorable Lorraine Inouye, Chair and Members of the Committee on Transportation and Energy

The Honorable Clarence Nishihara, Chair, and Members of the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs

The City and County of Honolulu supports the intent of this legislation. We believe that it will assist the City and County of Honolulu, Division of Motor Vehicle Licensing and Permits, in ensuring that applicants for taxi certificates are properly screened for past criminal history. We have encountered situations where the current two year local abstract review failed to uncover criminal conduct that had taken place outside this time period or in another jurisdiction.

This bill will provide the counties additional tools to ensure the safety and welfare of the public.

Sincerely,

Galén K. Onouve

Licensing Administrator