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Comments: As a condominium owner in Honolulu, I support SB121. It is important to give more leverage in disputing claims of violations with accompanying fees to condo owners themselves. The current law lets condo boards off the hook; that is, gives boards no incentive to go forward to arbitrate a dispute. Please vote yes on this bill. Thank you.

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February 3, 2017

Hearing Date: Friday, February 23 2017 Time: 9:30am Place: Conference Room 329

Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce The Senate, the 29th Legislature Regular Session of 2017

RE: Testimony supporting SB121

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Rhoads and Committee members:

I am a condominium owner submitting my experience of filing for mediation with my board. My letter requesting mediation was first initiated June 26, 2015. My board did not respond. On April 21, 2016 another request for mediation. I was asked to submit a letter of my concerns and complied. My board then opted to not participate by September 2016.

This failed mediation incurred unnecessary cost over questions I asked during my service as a director 2011-2013. As a director, I asked that this issue be sent to our associations attorney for his opinion. All directors refused eventually leading to request for mediation.

The point I make is the length of time it took for my board to respond to mediation. If bill SB121 passes, the question still remains on the time to respond to mediation. The board dragged this mediation out and incurred unnecessary financial cost to the Association membership and myself by not answering the question during my service as a director. I still want an answer to my question that effects each and every owner.

For your information, my request for documents was received 62 days after the first request October 22, 2016. After 30 days late, I spent \$653.13 to have my attorney resubmit the request for documents.

I have never been late in paying my maintenance fees. My request for mediation was not over a dispute for unpaid maintenance fees or fines.

The problem is not 514B. The problem is in condominium management at the Board's level.

Thank-you

Lourdes Scheibert

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