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### OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

Ke`ena O Ka Meia COUNTY OF MAUI – Kalana O Maui

April 3, 2018

TESTIMONY OF ALAN M ARAKAWA MAYOR COUNTY OF MAUI

BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Wednesday, April 4, 2018 1:30PM Conference Room 308

SB2612 RELATING TO LIQUOR LICENSES.

Honorable Sylvia Luke, Chair Honorable Ty J.K. Cullen, Vice Chair Honorable Members of the House Committee on Finance

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Thank you for this opportunity to testify in SUPPORT of SB2612.

The purpose of this bill is to waive fees and other requirements for applicants for a class 10 liquor license.

Currently in Maui County, there is a very onerous process for non-profit organizations to get a one day special liquor license for their fundraising events. It has been so difficult that several large events were either cancelled or were unable to serve liquor which cost them 5 digits of income.

I strongly urge you to pass SB2612.

Sincerely,

Alan M. Arakawa Mayor, County of Maui

# LIQUOR COMMISSION CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU

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April 2, 2018

The Honorable Sylvia Luke, Chair
The Honorable Ty J.K. Cullen, Vice Chair
and Members of the Committee on Finance

Hearing:

Wednesday, April 4, 2018

1:30 PM; Room 308

Position:

Comments on SB 2612 SD1 HD1, Relating to Liquor Licenses

Dear Chair Luke, Vice Chair Cullen, and Members:

The Liquor Commission, City and County of Honolulu (Commission), appreciates the opportunity to submit testimony providing comments on Senate Bill 2612 SD1 HD1, Relating to Liquor Licenses. The Commission fully supports legislation that both legitimately reduces the application burden for certain types of licensees but also gives reasonable flexibility to regulators in addressing oversight and compliance requirements.

Prior to the 2008 repeal of Section 281-32.3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as amended, it was the Commission's practice to administratively approve applications for nonprofit fundraising events (Nonprofit Special License), with the reduced submission requirements dictated by HRS Section 281-32.3. Following the 2008 inclusion of the Nonprofit Special License into the "standard" Class 10 Special license section, the Commission continued its practice of administrative approvals and reduced submission requirements for Nonprofit Special License applications, with the rare exception of applications with the potential for heightened public impact, which Commission administration would refer back to the Commission at a public hearing. Therefore, the proposed measure would not impact City and County of Honolulu applicants for Nonprofit Special Licenses, as the Commission currently adheres to reduced submission requirements for these types of applications.

The Liquor Commission appreciates the opportunity to provide testimony on Senate Bill 2612 SD1 HD1, Relating to Liquor Licenses.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANKLIN DON PACĂRRO, JR.

Administrator

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HEARING BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE HAWAII STATE CAPITOL, HOUSE CONFERENCE ROOM 308 WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2018 AT 1:30 P.M.

To The Honorable Sylvia Luke, Chair; The Honorable Ty J.K. Cullen, Vice Chair; and Members of Committee on Finance;

### **TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 2612 RELATING TO LIQUOR**

Aloha, my name is Pamela Tumpap and I am the President of the Maui Chamber of Commerce. I am writing share our support of SB 2612.

This has been a challenging issue on Maui as the Liquor Commission has changed practices and has different interpretations which has caused difficulties for nonprofits in our community. We appreciate the legislature taking the time to review this matter and believe this bill is needed and helpful. Therefore, we strongly support this bill.

We appreciate the opportunity to testify on this matter and ask that this bill be passed.

Sincerely,

Pamela Tumpap

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President

To advance and promote a healthy economic environment for business, advocating for a responsive government and quality education, while preserving Maui's unique community characteristics.



Established 1925

Date: March 20, 2018

To: House of Representatives – Committee on Judiciary

From: Russell Goshi

General Manager, Maui Country Club

Subject: Testimony in support of an amendment to SB2612

Dear Chair Nishimoto and members of the Judiciary Committee:

My name is Russell Goshi and I am the General Manager at the Maui Country Club.

I strongly support SB2612 as it clarifies rules and fee requirements.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Yours Truly,

Russell Goshi General Manager



To: House of Representatives – Committee on Finance

From: Christopher Abbott

Member, Board of Governors

The Pacific Club

Subject: Testimony in support of an amendment to SB2612

Dear Chair Luke, Vice Chair Cullen, and members of the Committee on Finance:

My name is Christopher Abbott and I am a member and serve on the Board of Governors at The Pacific Club. I strongly support SB2612.

The Pacific Club is the oldest private club of its kind west of the Mississippi and was established in 1851. The Pacific Club is a business club, a family club, a social club, an athletic club, and a dining club. Its membership is more diverse today than at any time in its history. The Club's members enjoy a commonality in friendship and belonging. The Pacific Club provides its members, their families and guests, a unique opportunity to dine, relax, play and meet in a facility with a comfortable and distinguished ambiance.

I strongly support SB2612 as it clarifies rules and fee requirements.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

Christopher Abbott Member, Board of Governors The Pacific Club

<u>SB-2612-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 4/3/2018 11:04:18 AM

Testimony for FIN on 4/4/2018 1:30:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Richard Emery	Individual	Support	No

## Comments:

This Bill makes sense for private clubs.



To: House of Representatives – Committee on Finance

From: Eric Schiff, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Board of Governors, The Pacific Club

Subject: Testimony in support of SB2612

Dear Chair Luke and members of the Committee on Finance:

My name is Eric Schiff and I am a member and serve on the Board of Governors at The Pacific Club. I strongly support SB2612.

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I strongly support SB2612 as it clarifies rules and fee requirements.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Yours Truly,

Eric Schiff

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Board of Governors

The Pacific Club



To: House of Representatives – Committee on Finance

From: Amy Dempsey, President

Subject: Testimony in support of SB2612

Dear Chair Luke and members of the Committee on Finance:

My name is Amy Dempsey and I am the President of the Paradise of the Pacific Chapter of the Club Managers Association of America. I strongly support SB2612.

The Club Managers Association of America is the professional association for managers of Membership clubs. The Paradise of the Pacific Chapter membership consists of 29 Country, city, golf and yacht clubs from the State of Hawaii.

I strongly support SB2612 as it clarifies rules and fee requirements.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Yours Truly,

Amy Dempsey President



To: House of Representatives – Committee on Finance

From: John Bethe, General Manager, The Pacific Club

Subject: Testimony in support of SB2612

Dear Chair Luke and members of the Committee on Finance:

My name is John Bethe and I am the General Manager at The Pacific Club. I strongly support SB2612.

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Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Yours Truly,

John Bethe General Manager

John Beller

The Pacific Club

<u>SB-2612-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 4/3/2018 12:38:29 PM Testimony for FIN on 4/4/2018 1:30:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Chuck Reindollar	Individual	Support	No

Comments:



To: House of Representatives – Committee on Finance

From: Mike Durant, Board of Governors, The Pacific Club

Subject: Testimony in support of an amendment to SB2612

Dear Chair Luke and members of the Committee on Finance:

My name is Mike Durant and I am a member and serve on the Board of Governors at The Pacific Club. I strongly support SB2612.

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I strongly support SB2612 as it clarifies rules and fee requirements.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Yours Truly,

Mike Durant Member, Board of Governors The Pacific Club





To: House of Representatives – Committee on Finance

From: Robin Stueber, Board of Governors, The Pacific Club

Subject: Testimony in support of an amendment to SB2612

Dear Chair Luke and members of the Committee on Finance:

My name is Robin Stueber and I am a member and serve on the Board of Governors at The Pacific Club. I strongly support SB2612.

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I strongly support SB2612 as it clarifies rules and fee requirements.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Yours Truly,

Robin Stueber Governor, Board of Governors The Pacific Club

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