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Statement of MARY ALICE EVANS, Interim Director

before the SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND Wednesday, March 13, 2024 1:00 PM

State Capitol, Conference Room 229

in consideration of BILL NO HB 2365, HD1 RELATING TO TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PLANNING.

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Elefante, and Members of the Senate Committee on Water and Land:

The Office of Planning and Sustainable Development (OPSD) **supports** HB2365, HD1, an Administration bill, which proposes to replace the Director of Law Enforcement with the Director of Corrections and Rehabilitation as a member of the Hawaii Interagency Council for Transit-Oriented Development.

The Director of the Department of Public Safety was named as a member of the Hawaii Interagency Council for Transit-Oriented Development (TOD Council) when the TOD Council was established in 2016. Act 278, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2022, reorganized the Department of Public Safety (PSD) into two departments: the Department of Law Enforcement and the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. In codifying Act 278, section 226-64(a) was amended to replace the Director of Public Safety with the Director of Law Enforcement.

Since the TOD Council advises on matters related to the planning and development of State facilities in transit-oriented development areas, the Director of Corrections and Rehabilitation, who has administrative responsibilities for correctional and rehabilitation facilities statewide, is the more appropriate director to serve on the TOD Council. The provisions related to the new Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation are to take effect on January 1, 2024.

This bill would have no impact on OPSD or other agencies, since PSD has continued to serve and is active on the TOD Council. This bill will ensure that the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation remains involved in transit-oriented development planning and implementation statewide, including for redevelopment of their properties in TOD areas.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR KE KIA'ĀINA



STATE OF HAWAI'I | KA MOKU'ĀINA 'O HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION Ka 'Oihana Ho'omalu Kalaima a Ho'oponopono Ola 1177 Alakea Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 TOMMY JOHNSON DIRECTOR

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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 2365, HOUSE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PLANNING.

By Tommy Johnson, Director Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation

Senate Committee on Water and Land Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair Senator Brandon J.C. Elefante, Vice Chair

Wednesday, March 13, 2024; 1:00 p.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 229 & via Videoconference

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Elefante, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (DCR) supports House Bill (HB) 2365, House Draft (HD) 1, which amends the membership of the Hawaii Interagency Council for Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) to replace the Director of Law Enforcement (DLE) with the Director of DCR. In codifying Act 278, section 226-64(a) was amended to replace the Director of Public Safety with the Director of DLE. As the TOD advises on matters related to planning and development of State facilities in transit-oriented development areas, the Director of DCR, who has administrative responsibilities for correctional and rehabilitation facilities statewide, is the more appropriate director to serve on the TOD Council.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of HB 2365, HD1.

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Statement of JAMES KUNANE TOKIOKA Director Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism before the SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND

> Wednesday, March 13, 2024 1:00 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 229

In consideration of HB 2365, HD1 RELATING TO TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PLANNING.

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Elefante, and members of the Committee. The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) supports HB2365 HD1, an Administration bill, which proposes replacing the Director of Law Enforcement with the Director of Corrections and Rehabilitation as a member of the Hawaii Interagency Council for Transit-Oriented Development (TOD Council).

The Director of the Department of Public Safety (PSD) was named as a member of the TOD Council when it was established in 2016. Act 278, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2022, reorganized PSD into the Department of Law Enforcement and the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (DCR). Section 226-64(a) was also amended to replace the Director of Public Safety with the Director of Law Enforcement.

Since the TOD Council advises on planning and development of State facilities in TOD areas, including redevelopment of DCR properties, the DCR Director, who has administrative responsibilities for correctional and rehabilitation facilities statewide, is the more appropriate director to serve on the TOD Council.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR KE KIA'ĀINA



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TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 2365, HOUSE DRAFT 1 RELATING TO TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PLANNING Before the Senate Committee on Water and Land Wednesday, March 13, 2024; 1:00 p.m. State Capitol Conference Room 229, Via Videoconference WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

Chair Inouye, Vice Chair Elefante, and members of the Committee:

The Department of Law Enforcement (DLE) **supports**, House Bill 2365, House Draft 1.

This bill amends the membership of the Hawaii Interagency Council for Transit-Oriented Development by replacing the Director of Law Enforcement of the (DLE) with the Director of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (DCR).

This is a housekeeping measure related to Act 278, Session Laws of Hawai'i 2022 (Act 278), which reorganized the Department of Public Safety into the DLE and DCR. Act 278 replaced the Director of Public Safety with the Director of Law Enforcement as a member of the Hawaii Interagency Council for Transit-Oriented Development. However, as the council advises on state facilities in transit-oriented development areas, the Director of DCR, who has administrative responsibilities for correctional and rehabilitation facilities statewide, would be the more appropriate director to serve on the council.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this bill.

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