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February 22, 2024

Committee on Judiciary Senator Karl Rhoads, Chair Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair

Hawai'i State Legislature 415 S. Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Subject: S.B. 3226 RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE Hearing Date: Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. Time/Place of Hearing: Via Videoconference, Conference Room 016

Aloha Honorable Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Gabbard, and members of the Committee on Judiciary,

On behalf of the County of Hawai'i, I am expressing our support for **SB 3226** which clarifies the maximum period to grant or deny a business or development-related permit, license, or approval provided that a contested case has not been filed.

The primary aim of Act 164, Session Laws of Hawai'i (1998) was to enhance Hawai'i's business environment and prevent administrative agency delays. However, Act 164 did not take into consideration contested cases filed within the agency review period.

The proposed amendment to HRS §91-13.5(a), would address contested cases within the specified timeframes, and considers the need for specific procedures that uphold due process, ensuring a fair contested case hearing for all parties involved.

For the foregoing reasons, I support the passage of SB 3226. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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RICK BLANGIARDI MAYOR *MEIA*



February 26, 2024

The Honorable Karl Rhoads, Chair The Honorable Mike Gabbard, Vice-Chair and Members of the Committee on Judiciary State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

SUBJECT: Testimony in **support** of SB 3226 SD1, Relating to Administrative Procedure.

Dear Chair Rhoads, Vice-Chair Gabbard, and members of the Committee on Judiciary:

On behalf of the City and County of Honolulu, I am expressing our support for SB 3226 SD1 which clarifies the maximum period to grant or deny a business or development-related permit, license, or approval provided that a contested case has not been filed.

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Sincerely,

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