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**TO:** HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & HOMELESSNESS  
Representative Lisa Marten, Chair  
Representative Ikaika Olds, Vice Chair  
Honorable Members

**FROM:** John C. (Jack) Lewin, MD, Administrator, SHPDA, and Sr. Advisor to  
Governor Josh Green, MD on Healthcare Innovation

**RE:** **HCR 79 -- Relating to Kupuna-friendly Parking Accessibility**

**HEARING:** Wednesday, April 1, 2026 @ 10:00 am; Conference Room 329

**POSITION:** SUPPORT with COMMENTS

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Testimony:

HCR 79 requests each county planning department to establish kupuna-friendly building permit requirements focused on parking accessibility and business operating hours. HCR 79 could make it easier for kupuna to access healthcare, stores and services by improving parking availability and encouraging special business hours for older adults. Implementing the intent of HCR 90 could also help reduce safety risks and support greater independence and community participation for kupuna with mobility needs.

Thank you for hearing HCR 79. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

■ -- Jack Lewin, MD, Administrator, SHPDA