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TO: HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & HOMELESSNESS
Representative Lisa Marten, Chair
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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

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