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Support: 0

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Representing: Self	Position: I wish to comment	Submitted: May 16, 2023 @ 10:44 PM

TO: Members of the Honolulu City Council

FROM: Natalie Iwasa

DATE: Wednesday, May 17, 2023

SUBJECT: Bill 32, CD1, Relating to Public Transit - **AMENDMENTS REQUESTED**

Aloha Chair Waters and Councilmembers

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on Bill 32, CD1, which revises and updates the city ordinance regarding public transit.

The bill would make it a violation to:

Page 7, (2) drop litter; and

Page 11, (3) occupy “more than one seat, including placing objects,” etc. on adjoining seats, among many other things.

Defining these actions as violations of the law is unreasonable. When laws are unreasonable, people tend not to follow them. **Please amend the bill as follows:**

Add “knowingly” to Sec. 15B-3.1(b)(2), i.e., “throwing or knowingly dropping any litter . . . ” and

Add an exception to Sec. 15B-3.1(c)(3) that allows people to occupy more than one seat if the bus is not full.