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Support: 0

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TO: Members of the Committee on Transportation

FROM: Natalie Iwasa

DATE: Tuesday, May 23, 2023

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

Aloha Chair Dos Santos-Tam and Councilmembers,

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

During the full council meeting on May 17, I asked that two amendments be made to the bill. After my testimony, a statement was made that the concern I had about dropping litter had been removed from the bill on page 5. While that is true, it was added back word for word on page 7.

The current wording on page 7 is as follows:

“(b) It is a violation of this section for any person to engage in the following conduct while on a city transit system vehicle or at a multimodal municipal transportation facility . . .

“(2) Discarding, disposing of, placing, throwing, or dropping any litter, as defined in HRS § 339-1, except into receptacles designated for that purpose;”

Please amend this bill by adding “knowingly” as follows:

“(2) Discarding, disposing of, placing, throwing, or **knowingly** dropping any litter, as defined in HRS § 339-1, except into receptacles designated for that purpose;”

Page 11, where it states “(3) Occupying more than one seat, including placing objects, belongings, shoes, or feet on adjoining seats” would also be a violation, along with many other things.

Please amend this bill by adding an exception such as the following to allow people to place their belongings next to themselves:
Except when the bus is not full.