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The Honorable Tyler Dos Santos-Tam, Chair  
and Members  
Committee on Budget  
Honolulu City Council  
530 South King Street, Room 100  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Chair Dos Santos-Tam and Members:

**SUBJECT: Council Bill 60 (2024), Proposed CD1: Relating to Sewers, Drainage, and Cesspools**

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This testimony of the Honolulu Board of Water Supply (BWS) supersedes the previous testimony stamped and numbered as Dept. Com. 239.

The BWS provides billing services to the City Department of Environmental Services (ENV) for their sewer charges. To ensure the generation of accurate bills, the BWS needs three-to-six months lead time after Bill 60 becomes an ordinance. This is essential to implement the newly adopted sewer rates.

Without sufficient time to reprogram, test and implement the new rate structure changes, there could be billing errors that may be disruptive and costly to correct.

Thank you for your consideration and the opportunity to provide testimony on Council Bill 60, Proposed CD 1.

Very truly yours,

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