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The Honorable Radiant Cordero, Chair
and Members
Committee on Infrastructure, Transportation & Technology
Honolulu City Council
530 South King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Cordero and Councilmembers:

SUBJECT: Testimony on Proposed CD1 to Bill 73 (2025) Relating to
Transportation
HEARING: Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 9:00 a.m.

The Department of Customer Services (CSD) offers **comments** on the proposed amendments to Bill 73 (2025) Relating to Transportation, which amends Chapter 15 of the Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 2021 (ROH) by repealing, updating, or clarifying various provisions relating to traffic and vehicles.

This measure reflects an effort to remove outdated language, align local ordinances with current state and federal standards, improve consistency in enforcement, and streamline administrative processes. From an operational perspective, the bill promotes clearer statutory authority, simplifies certain fee and tax structures, and updates penalty provisions to better reflect current conditions.

Several amendments affecting vehicle registration and weight tax provisions would clarify classification standards and modernize delinquency penalties. While these changes will require system updates and public communication, they are administratively manageable and intended to improve long-term efficiency and compliance. Additionally, the repeal of outdated provisions and consolidation of authority in certain areas will also reduce unnecessary administrative complexity.

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Overall, the bill demonstrates a comprehensive approach to improving transportation-related ordinances by enhancing clarity, strengthening enforcement mechanisms, and ensuring alignment with contemporary regulatory practices. The Department remains committed to implementing any adopted changes in a manner that ensures continuity of service, transparency for the public, and operational efficiency.

Given these significant operational considerations, we look forward to working with the Council for guidance on funding, resources, and a phased approach that will allow time to research and assess the necessary administrative procedures, staff training, and effective public outreach.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please contact me at (808) 768-3392 or khashiro@honolulu.gov.

Sincerely,



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