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Meeting Date: May 13, 2026 @ 10:00 AM

Support: 2

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Testimony:

Bill 35 (2026) – Streets, Sidewalks, Malls, and Curbside Tellers (First Reading)

****Analysis**:**

This is a ****housekeeping bill**** that amends and repeals outdated provisions related to public places, including old rules on curbside tellers (banking-related). It cleans up obsolete language from decades ago.

****Assessment**:** Low controversy. Mostly technical cleanup. No major policy shift.

****Testimony (Support)****

Aloha Chair and Councilmembers,

I support ****Bill 35 (2026)**** as a sensible cleanup of outdated ordinances regarding streets, sidewalks, and public places. Removing obsolete rules reduces red tape without harming public safety or access.

Please ensure the final version continues to protect pedestrian rights and public use of sidewalks. Mahalo.

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May 13, 2026, 10 a.m.
Honolulu Hale

To: Honolulu City Council
Tommy Waters, Chair
Andria Tupola, Vice Chair

From: Grassroot Institute of Hawaii
Ted Kefalas, Director of Strategic Campaigns

RE: Bill 35 (2026) — RELATING TO STREETS, SIDEWALKS, MALLS, AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES

Aloha Chair Waters, Vice Chair Tupola and other Council Members,

The Grassroot Institute of Hawaii **supports** [Bill 35 \(2026\)](#), which would repeal ordinances authorizing curbside tellers to encroach into public sidewalks.

Technological shifts in banking have meant that banks, credit unions and other financial institutions do not rely on curbside tellers to the extent they did in the past. Therefore, this cleanup bill would have minimal — if any — effects on the financial services industry.

But it would build on legislation such as [Ordinance 25-22](#), which removed provisions aimed at regulating technologies used decades ago that are now obsolete.

Grassroot appreciates the intent of this measure and would welcome further Council actions to repeal outdated and redundant portions of the city code.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Ted Kefalas
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