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Testimony of Aloha Independent Living Hawai'i

Bill 58 (2026) — Relating to Shared Micromobility Vehicles

Committee on Infrastructure, Transportation and Technology

Wednesday, October 21, 2026, 9:00 a.m. — City and County of Honolulu

Position: Support with Amendments

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Bill 58 (2026).

Aloha Independent Living Hawai'i (AILH) is a federally designated Center for Independent Living. We serve people with all types of disabilities across O'ahu and the neighbor islands.

Sidewalk and Curb Ramp Obstruction

A shared scooter left across a curb ramp ends the trip. A wheelchair user cannot mount the curb. A person using a walker or a cane cannot step around it safely. A blind or low-vision pedestrian meets it as an obstacle where no obstacle belongs. The remaining option is to travel in the roadway, and that is not an option we ask anyone to take.

Four hours is not a notice period. It is the trip. Under Section 15-31.5(b), the four hours do not begin until the operator receives notice, so an obstruction can stand well past four hours from the moment someone first met it. The appointment is missed, the bus is gone, and the person has turned back.

What Bill 58 Changes

Bill 58 adds a new subsection (c) to Section 15-31.5, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu. Within the Waikiki special district, the City may immediately remove and store any shared micromobility vehicle parked in a manner that fails to comply with the section, without prior notification to the operator. The City must notify the operator after removal and storage. Outside the



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district, subsection (b) still governs: notice first, four hours to remedy, removal only after that.

The conduct is already prohibited citywide. Section 15-31.5(a)(4) provides that a shared micromobility vehicle may not be parked in a manner that obstructs all or a portion of a bus stop, a commercial loading zone, a disabled parking stall or zone, curb ramp, or driveway. Section 15-31.5(a)(3) provides that it may not be parked in a manner that impedes pedestrian traffic on a sidewalk. Both apply throughout the City and County. Bill 58 does not change where the conduct is prohibited. It changes where the City may act on it promptly.

Citywide Application

AILH respectfully recommends that the Committee amend subsection (c) so that immediate removal applies citywide to violations of subsections (a)(3) and (a)(4) – the obstructions that block a sidewalk, a curb ramp, a disabled parking stall or zone, a bus stop or a driveway.

We do not ask that subsection (c) be extended citywide in full. The narrower amendment reaches the conduct that stops a person from completing a trip, and leaves the existing notice-and-cure rule in place for everything else.

Operators would not lose notice under this amendment. Bill 58 already requires the City to notify the operator after removal and storage.

Extending that mechanism citywide does not take notice away. It changes when the notice arrives, and only where the vehicle is blocking access.

A blocked curb ramp in Kalihi, Waipahu or Kāneʻohe stops the same person it stops in Waikīkī. We see no basis in access for treating them differently.

Complaint and Removal Reporting



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AILH also asks the Committee to direct the Department of Transportation Services to report complaints and removals, and to identify how many involved an obstruction described in subsection (a)(3) or (a)(4).

The framework already exists. Section 15-31.6 requires operators to submit fleet data to the director, including the number of collisions, accidents, injuries and incidents of property damage involving a shared micromobility vehicle. Adding obstruction complaints and removals to what is already collected is a small step. It is also the only way the City will know whether this remedy reaches the obstructions that matter most to pedestrians with disabilities.

Bill 58 moves in the right direction. AILH asks the Committee to carry it the rest of the way, so that the remedy matches a prohibition that is already citywide.

Mahalo for your consideration.

Roxanne Bolden

Executive Director