

For BILL053(26)

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Position Support

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Testimony

The Waikiki Neighborhood Board has voted to support Bill 53 in order to reduce the number of shopping carts left abandoned on our streets and in our waterways. Presently, there is difficulty enforcing against the possession of shopping carts. Bill 53 would serve as a much needed tool to help protect our businesses from theft, make our community cleaner, and create for fewer hazards in our public spaces. Urban communities like Waikiki would benefit greatly from this measure, where already limited space and thoroughfares are further impeded by the presence of shopping carts. The Waikiki Neighborhood Board also has concern about the financial impact that stolen carts have on businesses. Carts range from \$200 to \$800. If any other merchandise of such value was taken from our businesses, tolerance for repeated theft would be far less. Bill 53 seeks to address this significant, yet less focused on, loss, and the resulting economic pass-through it has on consumers. On behalf of the Waikiki Neighborhood Board and our community, we thank you for your consideration of this measure.