

# Bill 87 Testimony



## DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD

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The Honorable Ann Kobayashi, Chair  
and Members of the Honolulu City Council  
Honolulu City Council  
City and County of Honolulu  
530 South King Street  
Room 203  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Regarding: Bill 87 (2020) – Relating to Public Transit

Dear Chair Kobayashi and Members of the Honolulu City Council:

The Disability and Communication Access Board (DCAB) supports Bill 87 (2020). Bill 87 (2020) would raise the paratransit single ride fare by 25 cents from \$2.00 to \$2.25 effective July 1, 2021. The paratransit fare has not been raised since 2001.

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) allows the paratransit fare to be up to twice the undiscounted, full fare charged for an adult single ride fare on the fixed route service. Bill 87 (2020) would result in a paratransit fare that is still significantly lower than what the ADA allows. However, DCAB supports the establishment of a subsidy for low income riders who would be harmed by even a nominal fare increase.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of Bill 87 (2020).

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kirby L. Shaw".

KIRBY L. SHAW  
Executive Director