

Bill 87 Testimony

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TO: Members of the Honolulu City Council

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DATE: Wednesday, September 9, 2020

SUBJECT: Bill 87, Fares for HandiVan - **SUPPORT**

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Aloha,

I'd like to voice my opposition to the paratransit rate increase.

\$0.50 per round trip may not seem like much to many people, including decision makers. To me it is the difference between life and death.

I have a severe form of epilepsy that brings me to the Emergency room one or more times every week. I must see my neurologist after every hospital visit. (I can't get coupons from insurance for these trips because I don't know in advance when & how many seizures I will have in a given month.)

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Brad Lee Neff