

TESTIMONY OF ALISON UEOKA

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
Representative Henry J. C. Aquino, Chair
Representative Troy N. Hashimoto, Vice Chair

Wednesday, February 6, 2019
10:00 a.m.

HB 764

Chair Aquino, Vice Chair Hashimoto, and members of the Committee on Transportation, my name is Alison Ueoka, President of the Hawaii Insurers Council. The Hawaii Insurers Council is a non-profit trade association of property and casualty insurance companies licensed to do business in Hawaii. Member companies underwrite approximately forty percent of all property and casualty insurance premiums in the state.

Hawaii Insurers Council **supports** this bill. The County of Kalawao should have been excluded in the original bill that passed in 2018 and this is a clean-up bill. Today, there are no drivers licenses issued by this County and having a sales and claims person there would be an expense with no benefit.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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HB 764 Relating to Motor Vehicle Insurance

Chair Aquino and Vice-Chair Hashimoto, members of the House Committee on Transportation, I am Matt Tsujimura here to testify on behalf of State Farm Insurance Cos. on HB 764 and urging you to pass this measure “as is”.

HB 764 is intended to cleanup language in Act 216 which provided an exception from the requirement of a single “bricks and mortar” sales and claims office by using agent offices. Unfortunately the application of the county requirement included Kalawao, which contains Kalaupapa. Due to the limited number of vehicles, there are no agent offices in that county. This amendment is intended to exclude Kalaupapa from this requirement.

We strongly urge the passage of this amendment.