

**HB1862**

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DATE: March 15, 2010

TO: Senator Brian T. Taniguchi  
Chair

RE: Senate Judiciary hearing for Tue, March 16, 9:30 am, Room 016 on HB 1862, HD1  
Relating to Public Order

I wish to encourage the committee and legislature to pass HB 1862, HD1 changing the sunset date on the prohibition against urinating or defecating in public within the boundaries of downtown Honolulu.

Our society has established stringent policies concerning cruise ships disposal of human waste, and we require dog owners to clean up the waste of their pets. For Hawaii not to prohibit humans from urinating and defecating in public is to create an unsanitary and unhealthy environment as well as to encourage the further erosion of a civilized society. The area of downtown Honolulu is the center not only of our judicial, legislative, and administrative centers but also the financial and commercial headquarters of most of the states major institutions and businesses. In addition, the downtown area is a place of residence for many taxpayers and many visitors who come to Hawaii visit this area as part of cultural tourism. To permit people to defecate and urinate in public will create both an unsanitary, filthy community that can lead to disease as well as to send visitors back to their homes and countries with the message that can only discourage potential visitors that Hawaii is not a civilized and healthy tourist destination.

Human beings should be held to a basic standard of behavior that contributes to a wholesome and healthy environment.

Please take a positive stand in working together to make the downtown of Honolulu a healthy, safe and civilized region.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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TO: The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair of the Judiciary and Government  
Operations Committee

SUBJECT: Strong Support for House Bill 1862: RELATING TO PUBLIC ORDER

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Thank you for this opportunity to testify in strong support of HB 1862 in its original form, which would repeal the sunset date of December 31, 2012 on the prohibition against urinating or defecating in public within the boundaries of downtown Honolulu.

For those of us who live downtown, public urination and defecation not only proves a real health risk, but also tarnishes the reputation of the community. Area residents and their children should not be subject to such vile conditions. Further, the Honolulu Police Department has supported this bill and has aided in enforcing it over the past six years.

Please help us to improve this serious condition where we live by supporting HB 1862.

Sincerely,

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