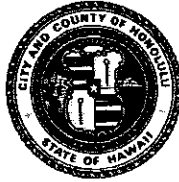


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February 4, 2013

The Honorable Karl Rhoads
Chair, Committee on Judiciary
State House of Representatives
State Capitol, Room 302
415 South Beretania Street
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Representative Rhoads:

SUBJECT: House Bill 37 - Relating to Noise

On behalf of the City & County of Honolulu, I would like to offer a comment regarding House Bill 37, "Relating to Noise", which authorizes injunctive relief and damages for private nuisance due to excessive noise.

As noise-related issues are prevalent within certain communities of the City & County of Honolulu, we respectfully request that the word "**counties**" be added to the proposed H.R.S. Section 663~ (d), to read, "Nothing in this section shall in any way restrict or impede the authority of the State and Counties to protect the public health, safety, and welfare."

Thank you very much for your time and consideration in this matter. Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me at 768-6634.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "E. Shinn", written over a horizontal line.

Ember Lee Shinn
Managing Director

cc: Representative Sharon Har, Vice-Chair