

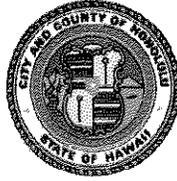
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April 18, 2008

The Honorable Todd K. Apo, Chair
and Members of the Budget Committee
Honolulu City Council
530 S. King Street, Room 202
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Chair Apo and Councilmembers:

Subject: Bill 18 (2008) CD 1, Executive Operating Program and Budget for the
Fiscal Year July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009

The following information is provided in regards to the proposed
recommendation to cut the Department of Transportation Services' Rapid Transit
Division funding for vacant positions by 50 percent.

We have recently made significant progress in our staffing efforts for the newly
formed Rapid Transit Division and based on our hiring plan, we estimate that a more
appropriate reduction in funding for vacant positions would be 25 percent. Therefore,
we request the amount budgeted in Bill 18, CD1, be increased from \$1,233,339 to
\$1,850,000. This amount is a reduction of \$616,677 from the original amount budgeted
by the department for vacant positions and we believe is achievable in FY 09.

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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