

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI  
**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

September 21, 2001

**Committee**  
**Report No.** 01-169

Honorable Chair and Members  
of the County Council  
County of Maui  
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Committee of the Whole, having met on September 4, 2001, makes reference to County Communication No. 01-32, from the Council Chair, relating to the matter of Hawaii State Association of Counties (HSAC).

By correspondence dated August 21, 2001, your Committee Chair requested consideration of the proposed 2002 HSAC Legislative Program Policy Statement and transmitted the 2002 HSAC Legislative Program Schedule. Your Committee Chair noted that the 2002 HSAC Legislative Program Schedule indicates that the proposals for the 2002 HSAC Legislative Package should be gathered and transmitted to the HSAC Executive Committee in September 2001. Your Committee Chair requested that written proposals be submitted for the 2002 HSAC Legislative Package.

Your Committee notes that the proposed Legislative Program Policy Statement states:

The Hawaii State Association of Counties (HSAC) shall be guided by the following policies during the 2002 legislative session:

1. The Executive Committee shall determine the strategy for HSAC's efforts before the legislature; and
2. An HSAC officer or designee shall testify before the Legislature on proposals in the 2002 HSAC Legislative Package.

By correspondence dated August 23, 2001, Councilmember Michael J. Molina submitted a proposal for inclusion in the 2002 HSAC Legislative Package and a draft State bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ROADWAYS AND ROADWAY LOTS". The purpose of the draft State bill is to allow each

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county to authorize its Council to delegate its responsibility to accept the dedication or surrender of roadways and roadway lots.

By correspondence dated August 27, 2001, Councilmember Charmaine Tavares submitted two proposals for inclusion in the 2002 HSAC Legislative Package. Included in the submittal were the following:

1. A justification sheet and a copy of House Bill No. 2657 (2000) entitled "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAFFIC FINES."

The purpose of the bill is to allow the counties to impose and collect additional fines for violations of State traffic laws.

2. A justification sheet and a draft State bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REVENUES FROM LIQUOR LICENSE FEES."

The purpose of the draft State bill is to designate a percentage of revenues from liquor license fees for alcohol-abuse prevention and treatment.

At its meeting, your Committee met with a Deputy Corporation Counsel.

There being no public testimony, Councilmember Tavares and Councilmember Molina provided brief overviews of their proposals. Your Committee Chair read the proposed 2002 HSAC Legislative Program Policy Statement into the record.

After a brief discussion, your Committee voted to recommend that the three proposals listed above be included in the 2002 HSAC Legislative Package. Your Committee also voted to recommend approval of the proposed 2002 HSAC Legislative Program Policy Statement.

Your Committee of the Whole **RECOMMENDS** the following:

1. That the proposed 2002 HSAC Legislative Program Policy Statement be **APPROVED**;

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2. That the following proposals be APPROVED for recommended inclusion in the 2002 HSAC Legislative Package:
  - a. A proposal to allow each county to authorize its Council to delegate its responsibility to accept the dedication or surrender of roadways and roadway lots;
  - b. A proposal to allow the counties to impose and collect additional fines for violations of State traffic laws; and
  - c. A proposal to designate a percentage of revenues from liquor license fees for alcohol-abuse prevention and treatment; and
3. That copies of the three proposals and this committee report be TRANSMITTED to the Hawaii State Association of Counties Executive Committee.

Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.

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