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April 1, 2025

Mr. Layne Silva, Director
Department of Liquor Control
County of Maui
Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Dear Mr. Silva:

SUBJECT: **FISCAL YEAR 2026 BUDGET** (BFED-1) (LC-02)

Please be prepared to answer the following questions at the Budget, Finance, and Economic Development Committee meeting on **April 8, 2025***. This will enable the Committee to comprehensively review the FY 2026 Budget.

May I further request that, after approval by the Office of the Mayor, you transmit your answer to bfed.committee@mauicounty.us by the end of the day on **April 8, 2025**. **Date subject to change without notice.*

However, if a written response is received by **Friday, April 4, 2025**, your Department may be excused from appearing before the Committee on April 8.

Overall

1. What are the observable impacts of the August 2023 wildfires on Maui County's liquor industry and how does that impact the Department's operations and budget priorities? (Page 474, Program Budget) (TP)
2. Has funding been encumbered for Liquor Gladiator, Paradox, and eSkill, including the upgraded cloud-based solution system? Please provide an update on the implementation or effectiveness of the Department's cloud-based asset management system. (Page 13-6, Budget Details) (TP) (TC)

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3. Relating to Goal #3, objective 1, the total number of license applications estimated to be processed in FY 2026 is significantly lower than the FY 2025 Estimate. What accounts for this reduction? (Page 477, Program Budget) (TC)

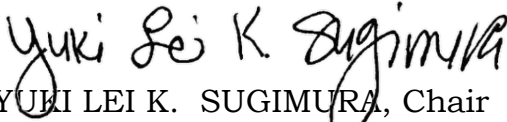
Operations and Equipment (Categories “B” and “C”)

1. What is the purpose of the REID & CLEAR memberships? (Page 480, Program Budget, 913012B-6230) (TP)
2. What type of additional equipment is being leased by the Department? (Page 479, Program Budget) (TP) (TC)
3. What is the current status of the Department’s fleet vehicles? Can the replacement of six vehicles be staggered over multiple fiscal years? If not, please explain why. (Page 480, Program Budget) (TC)
4. When is the review and amendment of the Liquor Commission’s administrative rules, funded under Professional Services, expected to be completed? Is there funding in the Budget to announce and publicize new rules, particularly those affecting local businesses that serve alcohol? (Page 13-6, Budget Details, 913012B) (GJ) (NUH)

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Thank you for your attention to this request. Should you have any questions, please contact me or the Committee staff (Kirsten Szabo at ext. 7662, James Krueger at ext. 7761, Jarret Pascual at ext. 7141, Clarissa MacDonald at ext. 7135, or Pauline Martins at ext. 8039).

Sincerely,


YUKI LEI K. SUGIMURA, Chair
Budget, Finance, and Economic
Development Committee

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Deputy Director of Liquor Control
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