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MEMORANDUM

TO: Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senate Committee on Human Services and Public Housing

FROM: Lillian B. Koller, Director

SUBJECT: G.M. 583 - Gubernatorial Nomination of Cynthia Cline to the State Rehabilitation Council

Hearing: Thursday, April 10, 2008, 1:30 p.m.
Conference Room 016, State Capitol

The Department of Human Services strongly supports the nomination of Ms. Cynthia Cline to the State Rehabilitation Council (SRC). The SRC was established in the 1992 Amendments to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The SRC acts in partnership with the Vocational Rehabilitation and Services for the Blind Division on services that address employment needs of individuals with disabilities.

Ms. Cline has many years of experience in employment-related programs in the public and private sector. She worked as an employment coordinator for individuals with disabilities, developed volunteer sites for work experience, provided employment counseling, and conducted community presentations and training.

Ms. Cline will provide representation to the Council from the business community and Maui County.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony to this Committee.