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Committee on Labor & Public Employment
Representative Alex Sonson, Chair
Representative Bob Nakasone, Vice Chair

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Chair Sonson and members of the Committee on Labor & Public Employment:

The Pacific Resource Partnership (PRP), a consortium representing the Hawaii Carpenters Union and more than 220 unionized contractors operating in Hawaii, are supportive of the intent of HCR 124/HR 106 – Requesting a Study on Construction. As you know, PRP actively monitors construction activity statewide through its compilation of public bid results and building permits.

As noted in PRP construction briefing to the House Finance Committee on January 16, 2008, the infusion of government sponsored construction projects would be timely and beneficial to soften the pronounced downturn in residential construction throughout Hawaii. Such State government initiatives like the harbors modernization program would cause a positive infusion of capital improvement dollars into Hawaii's economy to maintain stability in Hawaii's construction industry.

PRP respectfully ask that the state legislature seriously consider the passage of HCR124/HR106 and implement that intent in this year's state budget.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment and support this important legislative resolution.

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