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Honorable Representative Karl Rhoads, Chair  
House Committee on Labor and Public Employment  
State Capitol, Room 326  
Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: Testimony on H.B. 1480 (Relating to Taxation)

Dear Representative Rhoads, Representative Yamashita, and  
Members of the Committee:

My name is Barbara Fischlowitz-Leong, I am the Executive Director of  
Assistive Technology Resources of Hawaii ("ATRC"). ATRC is a  
nonprofit agency that assists disabled individuals in finding the right  
technology to accommodate their disability.

ATRC supports this bill because:

1. It conforms the definition with the federal definition and promotes  
uniformity.
2. Conformity simplifies compliance with for employers.
3. Having a definition that conforms to the federal definition will  
enable employers to look to federal law for guidance pending the  
publication of rules by the Civil Rights Commission.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Very truly yours,

Barbara Fischlowitz - Leong  
Executive Director

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