## HAWAII INDEPENDENT CONDOMINIUM & COOPERATIVE OWNERS 1600 ALA MOANA BLVD. - APT. 3100 - HONOLULU - HAWAII 96815

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LATE TESTIMONY

Rep. Robert N. Herkes, Chair Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce

## Testimony on SB 574 SD 1 Relating to Condominiums

Dear Representative Herkes:

Thank you for this opportunity to testify in strong support of SB 574 SD 1 on behalf of the Hawaii Independent Condominium and Co-op Owners (HICCO).

SB 574 SD 1 ensures that the Alternative Dispute Resolution Process will continue as a pilot for two more years.

We are currently exploring other alternatives to the Alternative Dispute Resolution process with other interested parties. One suggestion presented in meetings this past summer has been an Evaluative Mediation process. However, until this process has been tried successfully with condominium disputes, it is essential that the current process remain in place.

The members of our organization urge that you approve SB 574 SD 1.

Mahalo,

Richard Port, Chair Legislative Committee