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**H.B. 467, H.D. 2 – RELATING TO
WHISTLEBLOWERS' PROTECTION**

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO strongly **supports** the intent and purpose of H.B. 467, H.D. 2 – Relating to Whistleblowers' Protection. This bill provides additional protection to public employees who report violations of the law. The bill also appropriately expands the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations' responsibilities regarding whistleblowers' protection, with respect to public employees.

Many state and county employees are directly responsible for protecting the public interest through administration of statutory requirements and enforcement rules and regulations. H.B. 467, H.D. 2 will help public employees uphold appropriate standards in their area of expertise.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of H.B. 467, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted,

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