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Statement of  
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before the

### HOUSE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

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10:30 a.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 312

in consideration of  
**HCR 12 / HR 13**

### **URGING CONGRESS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE TO HOST MORE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES IN HAWAII**

Chair Awana, Vice Chair Hashem and Committee on International Affairs members:

The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) strongly supports HCR 12 and HR 13, which urge Congress and the Department of State to host more international conferences in Hawaii.

The 2009, 2010 and 2011 Asia Pacific Clean Energy Summit and the 2011 Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation annual meeting are great examples of leveraging the State of Hawaii's location to host international meetings, conferences and seminars in a safe and secure location.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments.