

**SB 1286**



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**SENATE WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE**  
**Senator David Ige, Chair**  
**Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair**

**February 3, 2011**  
**9 a.m. Room 211**

**Testimony in SUPPORT on SB 1286**  
**Relating to the Budget**

Chair Ige, Vice-Chair Kidani and members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee:

Thank you this opportunity to provide testimony in support of Senate Bill (SB) 1286, Relating to the Budget. I am Amy Asselbaye, Chief of Staff for the Office of the Governor.

SB 1286 amends the current budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 to appropriate positions and funds for various agencies in the Executive Branch. Specifically, I would like to speak about the budget for the Office of the Governor.

We are requesting an additional \$1,063,716 in general funds for the rest of this fiscal year. This would bring the total amount for the Office of the Governor for FY 2010-2011 to \$2,747,631 in general funds. This amount is less than the \$3.1 million budgeted for the Office of the Governor for FY 2009-2010.

I'd like to highlight a few items. This request includes \$365,000 for vacation payout for the prior Administration. It also includes \$52,000 for a reimbursement to the Department of Accounting and General Services for laptops and networking of our office. This amount also includes \$12,000 for out-of-state travel for the Governor, Chief of Staff, and his security detail for the National Governors Association meeting in Washington, D.C. at the end of this month.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony. I will be happy to answer any questions you may have at this time.



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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS  
TESTIMONY ON S.B. 1286, RELATING TO THE BUDGET

February 3, 2011

TO THE HONORABLE DAVID Y. IGE, CHAIR  
AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in **support** of S. B. 1286, Relating to the Budget which provides for funding and positions for fiscal year 2010-2011 for the office of the Lieutenant Governor.

This bill will provide the resources necessary to operate the office of the Lieutenant Governor for the remaining months of the fiscal year. There was a spending cap placed on our office last year and as a result, without this emergency measure, our office will run out of funding by the end of February.

We currently have seven staff including me and operated during the months of December and January with 4 or 5 staff. The Emergency Appropriation request represents a prorated amount from the proposed budget for fiscal year 2012, which includes funding for a total of 12 positions and a total operating budget of \$802,000. This amount is \$50,000 less than the appropriation for fiscal year 2009 and \$15,000 less than the appropriation for fiscal year 2008.

I respectfully ask for your favorable consideration of this request. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.



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To: The Honorable David Ige, Chair  
and Members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee

Date: Thursday, February 3, 2011

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Conference Room 211, State Capitol

From: **Dwight Y. Takamine, Director**  
**Department of Labor and Industrial Relations**

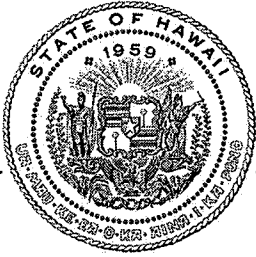
**Re: Testimony in Support of S.B. No. 1286 RELATING TO THE BUDGET**

Chair Ige, Vice Chair Kidani and members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee. SB 1286 amends the current budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 to appropriate positions and funds for various agencies in the Executive Branch.

SB1286 adds one position in the Department of Labor & Industrial Relations for a secretary for the Deputy Director. The department would reallocate current funding within the Director's office to provide the funds for the position. The restoration of this position will enhance the operational capacity of the department.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

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Statement of

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Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism  
before the

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS**

Thursday, February 3, 2011  
9:00 AM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 211

in consideration of

**SB 1286**

**RELATING TO THE BUDGET.**

Chair Ige, Vice Chair Kidani and Members of the Senate Committee on Ways & Means.

The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) strongly supports SB 1286, which seeks to restore the DBEDT's Deputy Director and Private Secretary positions. The Deputy and Secretary positions are essential to providing executive policy direction to the department on internal policy matters as delegated by the Director. These internal tasks, essential to the efficient operation of the department, need to be managed on a full time basis. Operational efficiency and effectiveness would be greatly enhanced with assistance of a Deputy position.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.