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**MEMORANDUM**

TO: The Honorable David Ige, Chair  
Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: Patricia McManaman, Interim Director

SUBJECT: **S.B. 931, S.D. 1 - RELATING TO EARLY LEARNING**

Hearing: Friday, February 25, 2011; 9:00 a.m.  
Conference Room 211, State Capitol

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of S.B. 931, S.D. 1, is to require the Early Learning Council (ELC), with assistance from the Department of Education, the Department of Health, and the Department of Human Services, to develop a fiscal mapping study and provide a report to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2012.

**DEPARTMENT'S POSITION:** The Department of Human Services (DHS) supports this bill. The DHS has always assisted the early care and education community by providing data and other kinds of information for the purposes of research and analysis to be done for improvements to services offered to young children.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this bill.