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TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEES ON
FINANCE
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LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT
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H.B. 2266, H.D. 1

RELATING TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Chairs Oshiro and Yamashita, Vice Chairs Lee and Tokioka, and members of the committees, thank you for the opportunity to testify on H.B. 2266, H.D. 1.

The Office of Information Management and Technology supports the overall intent of H.B. 2266, H.D. 1, as it provides specificity to the number of members to be selected by the senate president and the speaker of the house for the Information Technology Steering Committee, and also provides for the governor and chief justice to appoint members as well, which is currently not allowed.

As currently drafted the proposed bill establishes an even number of members, which poses a challenge in establishing quorum for the committee. At this time, we would like to recommend that the total number of IT Steering Committee members be an odd number. We understand that the original 13 member committee may be too large and as such offer the following two options for an 11 member panel:

1. Four (4) members to be appointed by the senate president; four (4) members to be appointed by the speaker of the house; one (1) member to be appointed by the governor; one (1) member to be appointed by the chief justice; and the chief information officer to serve as chair; or
2. Three (3) members to be appointed by the senate president; three (3) members to be appointed by the speaker of the house; three (3) members to be appointed by the

governor; one (1) member to be appointed by the chief justice; and the chief information office to serve as chair.

Since the current membership of the IT Steering Committee consists of four members appointed by the senate president and four by the speaker of the house, no resignations from the committee would be needed in the first option presented.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.