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STATEMENT OF

ANTHONY J. H. CHING, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

BEFORE THE

SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

AND

SENATE COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND HOUSING

Monday, March 19, 2012

1:45 P.M.

State Capitol, Conference Room 016

in consideration of

H. B. 2481, H. D. 1 – RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.

Purpose: Clarifies the notice requirements for the Hawaii Community Development Authority's ("HCDA") public hearings required by Section 206E-5.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes. BED-06(12)

Position: The HCDA supports the passage of the proposed amendment as it provides clarity as to notice requirements for public hearings. The proposal specifies that rulemaking public hearings require State-wide publication whereas development plan approval requires only county-wide publication in the affected county. The proposed amendment will allow the HCDA to publish notice of its public hearings efficiently and to the appropriate audience.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of this administrative proposal.