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In Support of HB2584, HD1

Before the Senate: Committee on Committee on Judiciary and Labor Monday, Mar. 12, 2012 10 AM, Conference Room 016

Aloha Chair Sen. Clayton Hee, Vice-Chair Sen. Michelle Kidani and Members of the Committee,

My name is Glenn Ida; I represent the 1300 plus active members and about 600 retirees of the Plumbers and Fitters Union, Local 675.

Local 675, supports HB2584, HD1, which allows the Director of Labor and Industrial Relations to accept the notice of employer's worker's compensation insurance from approved third party agencies in a manner and form approved by the Director.

By electronically uploading the insurance information into the department's database, this measure if enacted into law will improve the accuracy, reliability, and timeliness of information the department provides to the State's procurement and enforcement systems. This improvement will facilitate the State's procurement process and will allow companies that do business with the State and Counties to receive approval to submit bid proposals and be compensated for their work more quickly.

This improvement will also provide the investigator and audit staffs with current information necessary to ensure the employers' workers' compensation coverage is kept up to date and will provide the workforce with the economic and health protection the workers' compensation law was intended to provide.

Therefore, Local 675 supports HB 2584, HD1.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

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HB 2584 HD 1 Relating to Workers' Compensation Insurance

I am here to testify in support of HB 2584 HD1. This bill will improve the accuracy, reliability, and the timeliness of workers' compensation insurance information.

I ask for your passage of this legislation.

George Waialeale

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