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S.B. No. 1341, S.D. 2 RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

My name is Robert H. Lee and I am the President of the Hawaii Fire Fighters Association, Local 1463, IAFF, AFL-CIO. On behalf of HFFA which represents the 2,800 active and retired professional fire fighters throughout the State we respectfully oppose S.B. No. 1341, S.D. 2.

HFFA has serious concerns of the drastic changes relating to retirement eligibility and calculations found in S.B. No. 1341, S.D. 2 We are very cognizant that benefits and contributions are subject to review but respectfully request full and forthright discussion continue to allow for reasonable changes to retirement benefits for all public employees.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in opposition of S.B. No. 1341, S.D. 2.