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SB 2182, HD1 RELATING TO THE CENTER FOR NURSING

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March 19, 2012

To: Chair Scott Nishimoto, Vice Chair Mark Nakashima, and members of the House Committee on Higher Education

Date: Tuesday, March 20, 2012
Time: 2:00 p.m.
Place: Conference Room 309, State Capitol

From: James P. Hardway, Executive Director

Re: SB 2182 Relating to the Center for Nursing

The Workforce Development Council ("WDC") supports the amendment to repeal the 2014 sunset date and make permanent the assessment and deposit of center for nursing fees into the compliance resolution fund and distribution of those funds to the credit of the center for nursing special fund.

The WDC is an attached agency to the DLIR and is responsible for advising the Governor and Legislature on workforce development to support economic development and employment opportunities for all. The WDC is also the State Workforce Investment Board for purposes of the federal Workforce Investment Act ("WIA") of 1998. The WDC assists the Governor in developing and updating comprehensive five-year strategic workforce investment plans and oversees workforce (public) investment activities in the state.

In response to Governor Neil Abercrombie's New Day Plan goal to develop and implement a comprehensive strategy to address Hawaii's aging population and ever increasing healthcare needs, the WDC has recently completed a Healthcare Workforce Development Plan and Report (an Addendum to the Comprehensive State Plan for Workforce Development 2009-2014) published in December 2011, which documents Hawaii's severe healthcare workforce shortages. Without support of legislation like this, the plan describes how primary care shortages, especially on the neighbor islands and rural areas, will have an estimated statewide shortfall of 20% by the year 2020. To develop this plan, the WDC enlisted over 150 healthcare stakeholders statewide to discuss workforce barriers and plan solutions for some of the most needed health occupations in Hawaii. Representatives from the Center for Nursing proved especially helpful in providing information to stakeholders to further develop the plan, which documents Registered Nurses to be in the top 20 High Demand Health Occupations in the state. Comments from stakeholders revealed a major issue as new nurses not having the skills required for success in Hawaii's workplace. The Center for Nursing

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helped to identify and address this and many other issues specific to the nursing profession and must continue to be funded in order to address the numerous, diverse needs of Hawaii's nursing workforce.

Some of the center's plans have proven especially helpful in developing a healthy nursing workforce. For instance, the center's focus on removing scope of practice barriers has provided industry-driven recommendations that will increase the workforce of skilled nurses. The center's implementation of the Nurse Residency Program has been monumental in improving the quality of new nurses entering the workforce to better meet the needs of employers. The center's focus on increasing the number of nurses with Baccalaureate and Doctorate degrees has also brought this need to the attention of educators statewide who have often focused on graduating Associate degree level nurses, which in turn is producing an abundance of low-skilled workers who are displacing lower level healthcare professionals and earning lower than their expected pay grade. Additionally, the center's nursing surveys have proven immensely valuable when calculating future workforce needs, and have become an example of how future workforce surveys should be implemented to track the workforce gaps of other high needs healthcare professionals.

Overall, the WDC supports the amendment to make permanent the assessment and deposit of center for nursing fees into the compliance resolution fund and distribution of those funds to the credit of the center for nursing special fund in order to continue the excellent work of the Center for Nursing which has become the standard of what the future of healthcare workforce development in Hawaii should reflect.

Thank you for this time to provide testimony for supporting SB 2182 relating to the Center for Nursing.



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**House Committee on Education
Representative Scott Y. Nishimoto, Chair
Representative Mark M. Nakashima, Vice Chair**

March 20, 2012
Conference Room 309
2:00 p.m.
Hawaii State Capitol

Testimony Supporting Senate Bill 2182, HD1 Relating to Center of Nursing. Makes permanent the assessment and deposit of center for nursing fees into the compliance resolution fund and distribution of those funds to the credit of the center for nursing special fund. Effective July 1, 2050.

Bruce S. Anderson, Ph.D.
President and Chief Executive Officer
Hawaii Health Systems Corporation

On behalf of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC), thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in support of SB 2182, HD1, that makes permanent the assessment and deposit of center for nursing fees into the compliance resolution fund and distribution of those funds to the credit of the center for nursing special fund.

Since its inception, the Hawaii State Center for Nursing has provided invaluable support to nurses statewide through advocacy, training, grants and as a resource center. Without the commitment of the Center, there would not be a statewide training program for newly graduated nurses. The nurse residency program which the Center brought to Hawaii will have a significant impact upon our hospitals and communities. Through the continuum of their academic program which the Center has established in University of Hawaii nursing programs to new graduate employees at our hospitals, tomorrow's nurses will be a highly skilled workforce due to the programs established by the Center.

The future of quality health care in Hawaii is dependent on continued efforts by the Center and its programs. We strongly support continuation of designating fees to the nursing special fund.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify before this committee. We would respectively urge the Committee's support of this measure.

**PRESENTATION OF THE
BOARD OF NURSING**

**TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
HIGHER EDUCATION**

**TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2012**

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

**TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 2182, H.D. 1, RELATING TO THE CENTER FOR
NURSING.**

**TO THE HONORABLE SCOTT Y. NISHIMOTO, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:**

My name is Lee Ann Teshima, Executive Officer for the Board of Nursing ("Board"). I appreciate the opportunity to submit written testimony on Senate Bill No. 2182, H.D. 1, Relating to the Center for Nursing. The Board supports this bill which proposes to delete the repeal date for the assessment and deposit of the Center for Nursing fees into the compliance resolution fund and respectfully request that the effective date of the bill be amended to "upon approval".

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in support of Senate Bill No. 2182, H.D. 1.



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The Twenty-Sixth Legislature, State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
Committee on Higher Education

Testimony by
Hawaii Government Employees Association
March 20, 2012

S.B. 2182, H.D. 1 - RELATING TO
THE CENTER FOR NURSING

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO supports the purpose and intent of S.B. 2182, H.D. 1, which makes permanent the assessment of the Center for Nursing fees into the compliance resolution fund and the distribution of those funds to the credit of the Center for Nursing special fund.

The HGEA supported the formation of the Hawaii State Center for Nursing (Center for Nursing) in 2003 and believes in its core functions which are to: 1) collect and analyze data, prepare and disseminate written reports and recommendations regarding current and future status and trends of the nursing workforce; 2) conduct research on best practices and quality outcomes; 3) develop a plan for implementing strategies to recruit and retain nurses; and 4) research, analyze and report data related to the retention of the nursing workforce.

The Center for Nursing provides valuable objective data and programs designed to address the nursing shortage that will materialize over the next 5-10 years. Hawaii is experiencing a short-term surge in the nursing workforce, but that is a temporary situation. A highly educated and competent nursing workforce is essential to the healthcare of Hawaii, and the Center for Nursing is a valuable resource in accomplishing that objective. Therefore, we support making permanent the assessment and deposit of the Center for Nursing fees into the compliance resolution fund and the distribution of those funds to the credit of the Center for Nursing special fund.

We appreciate the opportunity to testify in support of S.B. 2182, H.D. 1, but suggest amending the bill so that it takes effect upon approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Leiomalama E. Desha
Deputy Executive Director

HMSA



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March 20, 2012

The Honorable Scott Y. Nishimoto, Chair
The Honorable Mark M. Nakashima, Vice Chair

House Committee on Higher Education

Re: SB 2182, HD1 – Relating to the Center for Nursing

Dear Chair Nishimoto, Vice Chair Nakashima and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii Medical Service Association (HMSA) appreciates the opportunity to testify in support of SB 2182, HD1. This Bill will make permanent the deposit of the University of Hawaii's Center for Nursing fees into the Compliance Resolution Fund specifically for use by the Center for Nursing.

HMSA believes in the importance of improving our local health care resources, such as the UH Center for Nursing. In 2006, the HMSA Foundation contributed \$105,000 to help match a \$250,000 Robert Wood Johnson grant to participate in the Partners in Nursing Futures initiative. This was a cooperative effort to increase and enhance the skilled nursing workforce for Hawaii for which the University's Center for Nursing continues to play a critical role.

We appreciate your allowing us to testify in support of SB 2182, HD1, and in support of the Center for Nursing. Allowing the Center for Nursing to retain its revenues for the Center's operations reflects an investment of those who participate in the Center's program into the Center's success.

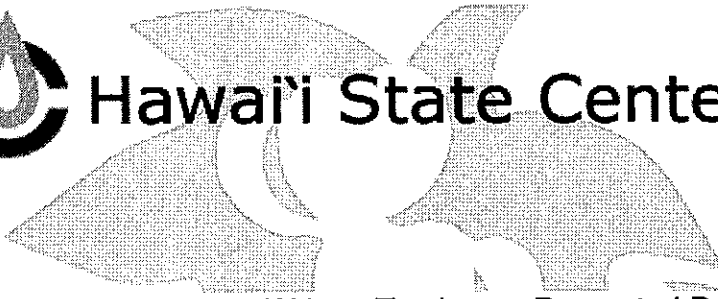
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Mark K. Oto'.

Mark K. Oto
Director
Government Relations



Hawai'i State Center for Nursing



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by

Gail P. Tiwanak, RN, MBA
Executive Director
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We are in strong support of the original language of SB 2182 HD 1 and opposed to the edit 'which is July 1, 2050'. We request that the effective date of SB 2182, HD1 which is July 1, 2050, be deleted and replaced with the original language of SB 2182 that read, "This Act shall take effect upon approval."

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AONE

American Organization of Nurse Executives, Hawai'i Chapter

March 20, 2012 2:00 p.m.
Conference Room 309

RE: Testimony in SUPPORT OF SB 2182 HD1, RELATING TO THE CENTER FOR NURSING.

Good morning, Chair Nishimoto, Vice- Chair Nakashima and members of the Committee. On behalf of the Hawaii Chapter, American Organization of Nurse Executives ("AONE"), thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in **support** of SB 2182, HD1 relating to the Center for Nursing.

This measure makes permanent the assessment and deposit of center for nursing fees into the compliance resolution fund and distribution of those funds to the credit of the center for nursing special fund. We believe that this measure is important to the continued provision of quality nursing care in the state of Hawaii.

AONE Hawaii is a non-profit professional organization serving more than 100 member Nurse Executives throughout Hawaii and is an affiliate of AONE National, which has over 7,000 members nationwide. Our mission is to be the principle membership organization that represents and promotes the profession of Nurse Executives in the State of Hawaii.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify. If we can assist with more information please contact us at (808) 447-1840 or aonehawaii@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

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Good Morning:

Please find the attached testimony in support of SB 2182 (HSCR 1044012) RELATING TO THE CENTER FOR NURSING

Which will be heard Tuesday, March 20, 2012 at 2 pm.

Mahalo nui loa,

Dale

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SB 2182 (HSCR 1044012) RELATING TO THE CENTER FOR NURSING

Rep. Scott Y. Nishimoto, Chair and Rep. Mark M. Nakashima, Vice Chair, and members of the House Committee on Higher Education, mahalo nui loa for this opportunity to provide testimony in strong support of this bill, HB 2023 which amends Act 198, Session Laws of Hawaii 2003, as amended by section 2 of Act 173, Session Laws of Hawaii 2008.

The Hawai'i State Center for Nursing serves a vital avenue to all nurses in the State of Hawai'i to highlight workforce data information for the need for nursing in Hawai'i, developing evidence-based practice initiatives, work on the advancing nurses professional credentials (Associate Degree Nurses to Baccalaureate prepared nurses), and attention to revising the state and national regulations for Advanced Practice Nursing. This work is extremely important to nurses in the State of Hawai'i.

The Hawai'i State Center for Nursing provides an avenue to understand the needs for nursing capacity in the state and nation, the development of nurse practices to bring more research understanding to nursing, and to develop nurses in highly technical hospital environments, and increase understanding of public health needs throughout Hawai'i and internationally.

Please continue to support the Hawaii State Center for Nursing by passage of SB 2128.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Chair Rep. Schott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair Rep. Mark M. Nakashima, and the members of the Committee of Higher Education, thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony to support this bill, SB 2182, HD1. My name is Don Gandule and I am a student studying health administration. I support the bill that would make permanent the assessment and deposit of Hawaii State Center for Nursing fees into the compliance resolution fund and distribution of those funds to the credit of the HSCFN special fund but take into effect upon approval and not on July 1, 2050.

Thank you,
Don Gandule

Don Gandule Private Individual
Committee on Higher Education
Date: Tuesday, March 20, 2012
Time: 2:00 pm
SB 2182, HD1

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