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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

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Date: Wednesday, February 22, 2012

Time: 1:15 p.m.

TESTIMONY ON SB2236 - RELATING TO COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY

TO THE HONORABLE CAROL FUKUNAGA, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE
COMMITTEE:

My name is Donn Yabusaki. I am the Administrator of the Cable Television Division of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (DCCA). The Department strongly supports this bill and appreciates the opportunity to provide written support for S.B. No. 2236.

The purpose of the bill is to amend Section 27-43, Hawaii Revised Statutes to include four members of the steering committee to be selected by the chief information officer. The information technology steering committee will consist of thirteen members, with four members to be selected by the senate president, four members to be selected by the speaker of the house of representatives, and four members to be selected by the chief information officer. The members selected will include representatives from

executive branch departments, including large user agencies such as the department of education and the University of Hawaii; the judiciary; the legislature; and private individuals.

Allowing the chief information officer to select four members will allow the committee to possess the breadth of skills, expertise and experience to be in line with the chief information officer as he addresses the priorities of the State's IT goals and objectives. The Department thus strongly supports the intent of this bill. Thank you for the opportunity to provide written support.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY**Date:** 02/22/2012**Committee:** Senate Economic Development and Technology

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Kathryn S. Matayoshi, Superintendent of Education

Title of Bill: SB 2236 RELATING TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.

Purpose of Bill: Clarifies that the information technology steering committee shall consist of thirteen members: four members to be selected by the senate president, four members to be selected by the speaker of the house of representatives, and four members to be selected by the chief information officer, with the chief information officer to serve as the chair.

Department's Position:

The Department of Education would be happy to participate and supports SB 2236, as it would allow the Office of the State Chief Information Officer (CIO) to fulfil the intent of the Information Technology Steering Committee (Committee).

In its current form, it would be difficult to have enough members on the Committee to represent all the interests of the state agencies, the public, and private sector that were referenced in the legislation creating the Office of the State CIO. With SB 2236, the membership of the Committee will be expanded to allow better representation of participating stakeholders.