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Conference room: 016  
Testifier position: Support  
Testifier will be present: Yes  
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Conference room: 016  
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Comments:

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Committee on Human Services  
Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair  
State Capitol, Conference Room 016  
Tuesday, January 31, 2012; 1:15 p.m.

**STATEMENT OF THE ILWU LOCAL 142 ON S.B. 2321  
RELATING TO LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE**

The ILWU Local 142 supports S.B. 2321, which establishes a task force to determine the feasibility of establishing a limited, mandatory, public long-term care insurance program.

The issue of financing long-term care has been studied, discussed, and debated for decades. We are not any closer to a mechanism to provide for financing of long-term care, the cost of which is beyond the reach of most Hawaii residents.

For some seniors, long-term care planning amounts to finding ways to divest themselves of their assets in order to qualify for Medicaid. This becomes a huge burden for the State, which, together with the federal government, must fund Medicaid. Other seniors and their families are simply unaware of the costs associated with long-term care and are shocked and unprepared when they find themselves needing long-term care.

We hope that the task force proposed by S.B. 2321 will finally come up with a program that will help Hawaii residents with the high cost of long-term care. With that hope, the ILWU urges passage of S.B. 2321.

Thank you for the opportunity to share our views and concerns.