

TESTIMONY BY KALBERT K. YOUNG
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TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT
ON
SENATE BILL NO. 2324, S.D. 1

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MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

Senate Bill No. 2324, S.D. 1, appropriates funds for officers and employees within collective bargaining units 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, and 13, and their excluded counterparts.

The public employer and bargaining units 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, and 13 reached collective bargaining agreements in April of 2011. While those agreements did not contain any provisions which required collective bargaining appropriations at that time, they do contain so called "favored nations" provisions. This bill provides a vehicle to fund increases due to those provisions. The employer and the Hawaii Government Employees Association are currently in talks concerning those "favored nations" provisions related to the agreement reached with bargaining unit 1 in November of 2011.



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The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO strongly supports S.B. 2324, S.D. 1 which provides a vehicle to implement pending collective bargaining agreements for Bargaining Units 02, 03, 04, 06, 08 and 13 as a result of the "Favored Nation" clause in our current contract.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the above legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

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