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Statement of

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Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism before the

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AND BUSINESS

Tuesday, March 13, 2012 8:30 A.M. State Capitol, Conference Room 312 In consideration of

SB 2528 SD2 RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY

Chair McKelvey, Vice Chair Choy and Members of the Committee.

The Department of Business Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) supports SB 2528, SD2, which amends Chapter 201, Hawaii Revised Statutes, by adding a new section which expands the description of computer labs to support multi-disciplinary courses of study, expands definitions, increases revenue streams and places the Hawaii 3Ts technology laboratories fund under DBEDT.

This measure underscores the Administration's commitment to providing enhanced technology resources and broadband capabilities to develop our State's competitive advantage in knowledge and technology-based industries.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this measure.