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April 3, 2012
5:00 pm
Room 308

House Committee on Finance

Testimony on SB 2739 SD2 HD1
RELATING TO THE SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY REVIEW BOARD

Aloha Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee, and Members of the Committee,

I am Janet Ashman, submitting testimony on behalf of the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation (HFBF). Organized since 1948, the HFBF is comprised of 1,800 farm family members statewide, and serves as Hawaii's voice of agriculture to protect, advocate and advance the social, economic and educational interests of our diverse agricultural community.

The Farm Bureau strongly supports this bill and the mission and work of the SBRRB. Our farmer and rancher members have benefited from the Board's conscientious review of rules, some of which would have otherwise negatively impacted food production in Hawaii.

Unfortunately, there is a need for this measure that would authorize the small business regulatory review board to require an agency to conduct another public hearing on a rule change when the rulemaking agency declines to make changes requested at the first hearing and the agency's small business statement, submitted after the hearing, indicates inconsistency with its earlier determination or does not address the concerns of *small businesses*.

Thank you for your support of agriculture in Hawaii through your support of the Small Business Regulatory Review Board. Please call Janet Ashman at (808) 848-2074 if you have any questions.

LATE TESTIMONY

April 3, 2012

To: ERB Committee on Finance
 Attention: Mr. Isaac W. Choy

From: Howard B. West
 Member, Small Business Regulatory Review Board
 email: hauwahine@esciencei.com

Subject: Testimony for SB2739

Conference Room: 308
 Testifier Position: Strong Support
 Testifier will be Present: No

Dear Chair and Members of the ERB Committee on Finance,

I am writing to state my strong support of SB2739. A critically important part of the bill is that the Small Business Regulatory Review Board may require an agency to conduct another public hearing on a rule change if the rulemaking agency declines to make changes requested at the hearing and the agency's small business statement, submitted to the board after the hearing, indicates inconsistency with its earlier determination or does not address the public's concerns.

The board plays an important role in determining whether a proposed rule or proposed rule change will have an adverse impact on small business. In doing so, the board provides a means of assisting agencies with mitigating or eliminating such impacts and thereby helping to make Hawaii's economy more robust and dynamic. The proposed bill helps ensure that agencies are provided with that assistance.

Thank you for your consideration.

LATE

From: Sharon L. Pang
Small Business Regulatory Review Board Chairperson
Sent: April 2, 2012
To: ERB Committee on Finance
Subject: Testimony for SB2739
Att: Isaac W. Choy

Conference Room: 308
Testifier position: Strong Support
Testifier will be present: Yes
Submitted by: Sharon Pang
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Comments:

Dear Chair and members of the ERB Committee on Finance:

I strongly support ^{SB}HB2739 because the Small Business Regulatory Review Board may require an agency to conduct another public hearing on a rule change when the rulemaking agency declines to make changes requested at the first hearing and the agency's small business statement, submitted after the hearing, indicates inconsistency with its earlier determination or does not address the public's concerns.

The board provides an important role by being the voice for small businesses by determining whether a rule will have an impact on small business. Many times an agency may not realize that the rules may impact small business as it can create an added cost. This bill allows the board the option where they may provide input to create a balance between the agency and the small businesses affected.

Thank you for your consideration.

FINTestimony

From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov
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Testimony for FIN 4/3/2012 5:00:00 PM SB2739

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Testifier position: Support
Testifier will be present: No
Submitted by: David S., De Luz, Jr.
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Comments:

I Apologize for submitting my testimony late and would greatly appreciate your consideration in support of SD2739 SD2, HD1.

Mahalo,
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