

**Date:** 04/06/2011

**Committee:** House Finance

**Department:** Education

**Person Testifying:** Kathryn S. Matayoshi, Superintendent of Education

**Title of Bill:** SB 0289,SD2(HSCR1103) RELATING TO EDUCATION.

**Purpose of Bill:** Appropriates funds for the Families for R.E.A.L. program and professional and curriculum development in parent involvement forDOE and the early learning council. Requires the program to develop a plan to cover a percentage of the program costs, beginning 7/1/2013. Requires a report to the legislature and governor by 2012. Effective 7/1/2050.

**Department's Position:** The Department of Education (Department) supports SB 289,SD2(HSCR1103) as long as its implementation does not impact or replace the priorities set forth in the Executive Biennium Budget for Fiscal Years 2011-2013. Parents play a critical role in preparing their children to enter school, which may have a significant impact on their children's future academic success. However, there are few programs available to equip and empower parents to raise their children effectively and prepare them for entry into academia. Funds provided would preserve the program, so that its resources, experience, institutional knowledge, and expertise gained over the program's 23 years of existence would be shared statewide through the increased focus on providing early childhood support. If funded, two program sites would serve as resource centers for both their communities and the entire state. They would continue to offer classes, but would also transition into an expanded role that would provide resources for training parents of young children and school personnel who work with parents of young children, as well as materials (e.g.,

newsletters, training materials, videos) available to families statewide. Families for R.E.A.L. would serve as one of a limited number of resources available to assist parents in supporting their children's successful transition from early childhood into Hawaii's public schools. The program is requesting \$300,000 each year to maintain its current sites. In addition to the requested funding, the program is exploring the securing of other sources of income, including adopting a sliding fee schedule for participants, seeking scholarships from early childhood/parenting education entities, and foundations. Developing a sliding fee schedule based on family income is being explored. However, there are concerns about setting a fixed percentage of costs to the program, as external sources of funding, including grants, private donations, and other sources, may vary from year to year.

The Twenty-Sixth Legislature, State of Hawaii  
Hawaii State House of Representatives  
House Committee on Finance  
Testimony by  
Early Learning Council  
April 6, 2011  
S.B. 289 – Relating to Education

Chair Oshiro and Committee Members:

The Early Learning Council (“ELC”) offers this testimony in support S.B. 289.

Established under Act 14, First Special Session 2008, the Early Learning Council is entrusted with the development and administration of the state’s early learning system. The ELC seeks to establish a cohesive, comprehensive, and sustainable early learning system that ensures a spectrum of quality early learning opportunities for young children from their prenatal period until the time they enter kindergarten. As such, the ELC focuses upon four essential areas: Early Education and Care; Health; Parent Education and Family Support; and Workforce and Professional Development.

S.B. 289, which funds the Families for R.E.A.L. program, which is a school-based teacher training and child development program of courses and activities for parents, relates directly to the ELC’s focus areas of Early Education and Care, and Parent Education and Family Support. Such a program represents a significant step in establishing a comprehensive array of services that will foster a bright future for Hawaii’s children. The Early Learning Council strongly supports this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Robert Peters  
Chair, Early Learning Council

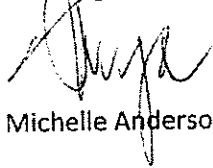
January 31, 2011

Dear Legislator,

My name is Michelle Anderson and I live in the Aiea district, I'm a constituent. I attended the Families for R.E.A.L. program in the Oahu Leeward District and I can't stress how much both my child and I have benefited from the program. I am a first time parent with my husband being in the military, I feel like I am the only parent most of the time. We aren't given a parent guide book when we are handed our baby the very first time. There are a lot of knowledge out there we can learn from people with experience and Family for R.E.A.L. was that great resource for me, it's been the best gift given to me since I moved to Hawaii. Especially with a rambunctious 2 year old, it's a lot of help when we know that there are actually reasons why they act the way they do. It is stressful enough to be with my child 24/7 with no help from family, so for me to be able to take a break and have my son play with other children his age and at the same time for me to learn more about how I can guide and teach my child is more than I can ask for.

With only one income, this program has been great because financially we cannot afford a part-time or full-time program with our current situation. I have learned to be patient and be more supportive as my child's first teacher, but patience can run low when I get tired and have no answers on how to deal with certain issues. Families for R.E.A.L. has taught me how to interact with my child with fun activities, how to manage my stress, and help my child develop socially and emotionally, especially to help them get ready for school. I hope you see how important this program has impacted parents from all walks of life and this is one of the best programs you can give the children of our future. Please approve funding so more parents and children can continue to benefit from this wonderful program.

Best Regards,



Michelle Anderson

SB 289

Hi, my name is Whitney Sears and I have lived in Hawaii for a little over two years. I had limited resources when I first moved here and was then referred to Families For Real for my now 19 month old daughter. Through FFR, I have made many friends and my daughter has been able to learn social skills as well as make other friends for play dates. It is an amazing program and would be a shame to see it have to end. My daughter and I enjoy coming back time and time again, I believe we are participating in our 3<sup>rd</sup> class and would be disappointed to not be able to come back or have others have the opportunity to benefit from the program. The staff is amazing and we are very thankful for the program. We hope that you can look forward and see that it is programs like these that are important to keep alive for the benefit of our children.

Thank You,

Whitney Sears

To whom it may concern:

We recently got involved with Families for REAL after searching for a place for our 15 month old to get involved, socialize with people his age, and develop his learning skills. It is the only learning place that also helps develop the parents and involve them in the children's development. We are a military family living in the community and do not know any other families with young children. Families for REAL have provided an exceptional opportunity for our family to grow and develop together. Our son has demonstrated huge strides in his development after just attending one class. He is a happier human being to say the least. He has since learned to pay attention while mommy and daddy read a book to him. He is more confident in interacting with other toddlers his age. He is chatting a lot more, which was a great concern, since we noticed a decrease whenever his daddy had to go out to sea for weeks and months at a time. In conclusion, funding Families for REAL is truly equipping the future. Please continue funding for Families for REAL so that the future is truly brighter where learning and education can be started at an early age, parents can be more involved in their child's development, and educators can do what they passionately love to do, teach.

- David Sample  
SB 289

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~~Da~~ -Jane Sample

SB289

I am asking that you support bill SB 289 which provides future funding for Families for REAL. We can not afford to enroll our daughter in preschool but Families for REAL has provided her the opportunity to gain class room experience before she enters kindergarten in the Fall. She is gaining valuable knowledge that was not available prior to her enrollment in the program. This program is a great asset to parents who are seeking resources & early access to learning (R.E.A.L.) for their children.

Please support bill SB 289.

Sincerely,

Yalanda & James Winston

91-1213 Kaneana St #12A

Ewa Beach, HI 96706



April 4, 2011

To Whom It May Concern,

I am a concerned parent who has a child attending the Leeward Families for R.E.A.L. class. I sincerely hope that SB 289 will be passed for future funding.

The Families for R.E.A.L. class we are attending is Therapy for my son. My son, Ethan, has a Sensory Processing Disorder. This Disorder affects almost every area of Ethan's life. Ethan is not yet 2 years old.

Ethan's Occupational Therapist highly recommended he attend Families for R.E.A.L. Ethan has responded wonderfully to his Toddler 1 class. Not only has it given him a chance to play with other kids, but also more importantly it has helped him get used to being around several adults in a small confined area. I also benefited personally from the class. It has given me a chance to learn from other parents as well as from our two wonderful teachers. The class has given me the opportunity to do things with Ethan that I never would have been able to on my own.

I hope that I can convince you to do all that you can to support Families for R.E.A.L. I know that this program has helped our family tremendously and I hope it can continue to help other families who are in difficult circumstances like our family.

Thank you so much for your time and support.

Sincerely,

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April 6, 2011  
2:00 pm  
Room 308

To: Finance Committee  
Representative: Marcus Oshiro, Chair  
Representative: Marilyn Lee, Vice Chair

From: Lina & Rodney Texeira, Jr.

Re: SB 289 Families for REAL

**In Support**

Chairs & Committee Members:

We are in full support of SB 289: Families for REAL program. We are currently attending the program at the Pearl City Highlands Elementary School and are very fortunate and grateful to have learned about this program. It has enriched our daughter Lacy's interaction and development with children in the same age and is an excellent preparation for pre-K.

As a parent, the program has provided valuable information and relevant experience with other parents. It is such a wonderful program that my daughter and I look forward to attending class each week. Ms. Laura McHugh and Ms. Lyn Kinoshita are excellent educators and it has been a wonderful overall experience.

We are hopeful that the program continues to benefit future children and parents. Thank you for the opportunity to submit our testimony.

Sincerely,

Lina & Rodney Texeira, Jr.

Cc: Laura McHugh and Lyn Kinoshita

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Submitted on: 4/6/2011

**Comments:**

I am writing in support of this program. The middle class has very few choices of places to send our children... we either make too much to qualify for assistance, or would have to struggle to send our children to private school. Please keep this program running so we can have Hawaii's middle class youth keep up with everyone else.

Mahalo!

Pete

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Submitted on: 4/5/2011

**Comments:**

My 3 year old daughter and I attend Families For Real. We both benefit from and appreciate what this program does for us. Please keep the Families For Real program alive.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

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Comments:

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Submitted on: 4/5/2011

### Comments:

Families for REAL is a needed program for parents and young children. My daughter and I participated and I learned valuable parenting skills as well as received support from the experiences of the teachers and other parents. My daughter was able to socialize in a safe structured environment.

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Comments:



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Submitted on: 4/5/2011

**Comments:**

The experience I've had with Families For Real has been amazing! The teachers are wonderful and I've met so many great people. As a stay at home mom I hardly talk to anyone so I look forward to speaking to other parents and having our children play together. This program makes me want to be a better parent. Thank you for your time.

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Submitted on: 4/5/2011

**Comments:**

As a first time mother of twin toddlers, this program has been invaluable in giving me knowledge and support I need to be a better mother to my children.

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Comments:

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**Comments:**

The Families for Real program has been so valuable to my family as well as many other friends who have attended. I cannot say enough about the wonderful teachers who provide guidance for parents and so much wonderful experiences for our precious little ones. Please provide the funding to continue this program so that many other families will be able to benefit. Thank you.

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Comments:  
Me and my baby loves Families for R.E.A.L very much.



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**Comments:**

I wanted to express my appreciation of the Families for REAL programs and staffs that work for this program. I have been going FFR with our 3 years son for the 2nd time and have been really enjoying this program. The staffs are so caring and understanding. The program give both our son and I great opportunities to do activities together or learn together. At the same time, it gives our son to separate from me in the class so that he is just with his friends and teachers. It is helping him to get used to class room setting. Please consider another years of funding for this programs so that more of families in Hawaii will be able to benefit from this program.

Thank you so much. Akiko Bell

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Comments:  
My granddaughter attends Families for REAL. It helps her get ready for school and it also helps her parents become better parents.

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**Comments:**

I had first hand experience working with early education students who did not have the opportunity to attend pre-school. Families For REAL program is vital to each child's success in school. Program readies child physically and emotionally.

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Comments:



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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Kristie Gatewood  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [K7m3y@yahoo.com](mailto:K7m3y@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 9:41 AM  
To: FINTestimony  
Cc: jan\_boivin@hawaiiantel.net  
Subject: Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Jan Boivin  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [jan\\_boivin@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:jan_boivin@hawaiiantel.net)  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

Comments:

This is a life-enhancing and worthwhile program with extremely talented and devoted staff members. Please do not let it fade away. My two toddlers have flourished because of this program.

## **FINTestimony**

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 9:07 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** ly2h@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Kirk Horita  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [ly2h@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:ly2h@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 8:52 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** megankaneshiro@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Megan Kaneshiro  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [megankaneshiro@gmail.com](mailto:megankaneshiro@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:24 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** kelly6309@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: soog kyung kim  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [kelly6309@hotmail.com](mailto:kelly6309@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:  
Me and my baby loves Families for R.E.A.L very much.

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 9:13 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** lagrunenberg@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Lee Ann Grunenberg  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [lagrunenberg@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:lagrunenberg@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 9:00 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** sryoshimura@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Sheryl Yoshimura  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [sryoshimura@gmail.com](mailto:sryoshimura@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

**Comments:**

I have 3 jobs but I make sure that I have time to take my daughter to Families for REAL because this program has helped me in my parenting skills as well as help my daughter get ready for school. Please support SB 289 so other families can benefit as well!

## FINTestimony

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 7:47 PM  
To: FINTestimony  
Cc: LAINEWABEACH@YAHOO.COM  
Subject: Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: LORNA ROTHSTEIN  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [LAINEWABEACH@YAHOO.COM](mailto:LAINEWABEACH@YAHOO.COM)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:  
Aloha,

Please support this program.

One of the most important factors in raising a child is his family environment.

Families and children in Hawaii benefit from the positive child care instructions, as well as general family guidance.

This program also assists in keeping families together by helping to mitigate stress - keeping a family together is usually a positive for the child.

I understand that our budget is tight and I don't have the answer to what needs give, but this program provides the foundation for a better, contributing, adult.

Mahalo



## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 7:42 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** dyamagat@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: DAVE YAMAGATA  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [dyamagat@yahoo.com](mailto:dyamagat@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

Comments:  
PLEASE FUND THIS PROGRAM AND INVEST IN OUR CHILDREN.

## **FINTestimony**

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 7:24 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** seradaddy@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Kevin Okutani  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [seradaddy@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:seradaddy@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 4:31 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** mikamaui@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Mika Chigawa  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [mikamaui@hotmail.com](mailto:mikamaui@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

### Comments:

I am currently participating in the Leeward families for real program for my son, and I went to this program for my two daughters, too. This is such a valuable program, and I believe this should continue as long as possible. If you have to cut the budget, this is not the one that should be cut. This program is good for both the kids and parents/grandparents, too. To raise our kids good, this will be necessary for Hawaii's future. We can learn lots of stuff such as how to raise the kids right. The staff is struggling with getting supplies, and parents donate lots of stuff. They are under lots of pressure and have lots of stress. Please help them and us. Thank you.

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 11:21 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** cathym@4securemail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Cathy Matsuura  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [cathym@4securemail.com](mailto:cathym@4securemail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:36 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** jamieyamagata@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Jamie Yamagata  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [jamieyamagata@gmail.com](mailto:jamieyamagata@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 1:43 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** doridar@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Dorida O'Neill  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [doridar@yahoo.com](mailto:doridar@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**ent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 1:57 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** roth.chu@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: roth chu  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [roth.chu@yahoo.com](mailto:roth.chu@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**ent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 1:13 PM  
**fo:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** jny1941@hawaiiantel.net  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Jane N Yoshimura  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [jny1941@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:jny1941@hawaiiantel.net)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:



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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 1:02 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** yoshrk@hawaiiantel.net  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Richard K Yoshimura  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [yoshrk@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:yoshrk@hawaiiantel.net)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

**Comments:**

Request your support to ensure the continuation of the Families for Real Program; this program is invaluable in preparing our young children for school.

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 12:39 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** yorimoto58@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Amber Yorimoto  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [yorimoto58@hotmail.com](mailto:yorimoto58@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:  
FFR is a great program that is offered to families

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 12:38 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** liko01@me.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: lincoln siu  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [liko01@me.com](mailto:liko01@me.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**ent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 12:37 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** stephy.costarica@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: stephany nelson  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [stephy.costarica@gmail.com](mailto:stephy.costarica@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:  
great program.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 12:29 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** donlovestuyet@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Tuyet Hayes  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [donlovestuyet@gmail.com](mailto:donlovestuyet@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 12:25 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** LEIOKAHARA@GMAIL.COM  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: LEILA OKAHARA  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [LEIOKAHARA@GMAIL.COM](mailto:LEIOKAHARA@GMAIL.COM)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:  
THE FFR CLASSES HAVE BEEN HELPING MY SON TO LEARN AHEAD OF TIME HOW TO PLAY WITH OTHERS AND IS ALSO HELPING HIM WITH HIS SEPARATION ANXIETY. WE LOVE ATTENDING THIS CLASS TO MEET OTHER TODDLERS AND PARENTS AND UNDERSTAND ALL THE DIFFERENT STEPS MY CHILD WILL GO THROUGH. THE STAFF OF FFR IS SO VERY HELPFUL AND MY SON LOVES BEING AROUND THEM. I WOULD HOPE TO CONTINUE MY CHILD IN THIS PROGRAM AGAIN, AND I AM SURE HE LOOKS FORWARD TO MEETING NEW TODDLERS.

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**ent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 12:23 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** minnohawaii@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Rudy Golez Jr  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [minnohawaii@yahoo.com](mailto:minnohawaii@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

**Comments:**

Being a parent in FFR, I've seen my child gain confidence and open up to learning and interacting not only with me, but with others. It's been amazing and I wish that all parents could go through this as well.

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 12:19 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** mindigo1@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Minda Golez  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [mindigo1@yahoo.com](mailto:mindigo1@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

### Comments:

This program establishes the very foundation that our children need, even prior to attending pre-school. It gives them the confidence to interact and succeed when they begin school. In addition to this, another invaluable factor is that the parents are given the opportunity to take that first step with their child and see their children blossom.



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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 12:09 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** tatey75@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Tate Yoshimura  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [tatey75@gmail.com](mailto:tatey75@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

**Comments:**

I am writing in support for SB289, funding for Families for REAL program. My 3 year old daughter, my wife and I have been participants in this program for the past 2 years. We have observed our daughter reaching valuable learning milestones through her experiences at Families for REAL. Also, my wife and I have both enhanced our parenting skills through participating in the numerous parent activities. Please extend funding to this most beneficial program as it brings together parents and children to all learn in such a unique environment.

Sincerely,

Tate Yoshimura

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 2:08 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** fujiiat@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Amy Fujii  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [fujiiat@gmail.com](mailto:fujiiat@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## **FINTestimony**

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 12:02 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** fruddah@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Sheri  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [fruddah@yahoo.com](mailto:fruddah@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 11:36 AM  
To: FINTestimony  
Cc: tandchawaii@yahoo.com  
Subject: Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Christen Imig  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [tandchawaii@yahoo.com](mailto:tandchawaii@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

### Comments:

I stand in support of continued funding for Families for REAL. It has been a joy to find a quality child education class for my daughter and best of all--it is free! As a stay-at-home mom I couldn't afford the exorbitant price of private preschool. Therefore being able to enroll my 2 year old daughter in a free, structured education class was such a blessing. It has been a great opportunity for her to socialize with other children and sharpen her developmental skills so that she will be well prepared for kindergarden in a few years. Not to mention, the teachers of Families for REAL also stress the importance of parent education. Each week I learn valuable tips and pointers for being a better parent to my children. Please continue to fund this well worthwhile program.

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 11:35 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** hulkster75@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Spencer Storer  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [hulkster75@gmail.com](mailto:hulkster75@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:52 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** alba.morrow18@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: alba morrow  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [alba.morrow18@yahoo.com](mailto:alba.morrow18@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

**Comments:**

This is a very good program that has increased my child's knowledge base in age appropriate skills but has also enriched her social skills. This is our second time around, and would be incredibly upset to see it go away. The state of hawaii has a gem in this program for its preschool aged kids.

## **FINTestimony**

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:51 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** sherrie.kunimitsu@united.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: sherrie kunimitsu  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: sherrie.kunimitsu@united.com  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## **FINTestimony**

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:50 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** raeroxy11@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Alicia Leandro  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [raeroxy11@hotmail.com](mailto:raeroxy11@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:



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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:49 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** odnok2001@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: lorrie ahn  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [odnok2001@yahoo.com](mailto:odnok2001@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## **FINTestimony**

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:48 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** bolondot@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: shigeo sorayama  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [bolondot@yahoo.com](mailto:bolondot@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:47 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** saliviado@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Stephanie Aliviado  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [saliviado@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:saliviado@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:47 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** chunrc@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: gail wakumoto  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [chunrc@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:chunrc@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:46 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** auriom001@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Mary Aurio  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [auriom001@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:auriom001@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

**Comments:**

Great opportunity for parents and grandparents to attend these classes with grandchild or child to prepare for preschool. I attended at two different times with grandchild and they totally enjoyed as well as learned! I would diffently support and recommend to others.

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:45 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** marsha.miyamoto@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: marsha miyamoto  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [marsha.miyamoto@yahoo.com](mailto:marsha.miyamoto@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:44 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** kat@mikegoldberg.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: kat goldberg  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [kat@mikegoldberg.com](mailto:kat@mikegoldberg.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:42 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** ngbclcmb@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: celeste barry  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [ngbclcmb@yahoo.com](mailto:ngbclcmb@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:



## **FINTestimony**

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:42 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** lrorrio@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: linda betancourt  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [lrorrio@yahoo.com](mailto:lrorrio@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:40 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** miko1@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: cheryl sanico  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [miko1@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:miko1@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## **FINTestimony**

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:31 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** kewalins@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Kewalin Freitas  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [kewalins@hotmail.com](mailto:kewalins@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

**Comments:**

Families for real is a valuable program that I have gained so much from as a parent and educator and it would be a grea loss to the community if they lost their funding

## FINTestimony

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:33 AM  
To: FINTestimony  
Cc: gailchoy@gmail.com  
Subject: Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: gail choy  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [gailchoy@gmail.com](mailto:gailchoy@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:29 AM  
To: FINTestimony  
Cc: grietds@yahoo.com  
Subject: Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Griet De Schaepmeester  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [grietds@yahoo.com](mailto:grietds@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

Families for real is a valuable program that I have gained so much from as a parent and educator and it would be a great loss to the community if they lost their funding

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:26 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** susanne\_pridoehl@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Susanne PRidoehl  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: susanne\_pridoehl@hotmail.com  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:26 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** annengalen@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Anne Yee  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [annengalen@gmail.com](mailto:annengalen@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:25 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** tennisgirl247@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Deena Walter  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [tennisgirl247@gmail.com](mailto:tennisgirl247@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:



## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:16 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** adamkaniela@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position:  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Adam Ching  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [adamkaniela@gmail.com](mailto:adamkaniela@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

**Comments:**

This is truly a great program that has given us tremendous guidance and support in parenting.

## FINTestimony

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:14 AM  
To: FINTestimony  
Cc: boysenberry808@yahoo.com  
Subject: Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Teri Watanabe  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [boysenberry808@yahoo.com](mailto:boysenberry808@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:  
Families for REAL is a great way for preschoolers to prepare for kingergarten. Not all parents can afford to pay the high tuition fees for preschool. This program helps children learn to share and socialize with each other. It has also helped me to be a better parent.

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:14 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** cmatyam@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Carol Ann Yamamura  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [cmatyam@yahoo.com](mailto:cmatyam@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:  
Excellent program that my grandchildren have and are in to help in their growth and education.

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 9:35 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** miko1@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: cheryl sanico  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [miko1@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:miko1@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

### Comments:

The Families for REAL program provides an invaluable tool for parents and children. It reaches demographics not able to be served because enrollment/participation IS NOT based on income or race. It provides equal access for those parents who want to become the best parent/educator they can be for their child. This program provides a foundation of learning skills, activities, and behaviors desired in our future students, as dictated in the Hawaii Content Standards. PLEASE support funding for Families for REAL.

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 9:04 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** bobbychang@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Bobby Chang  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [bobbychang@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:bobbychang@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 9:17 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** missy.tu@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Melissa Tu  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [missy.tu@gmail.com](mailto:missy.tu@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:  
My child is a current student at Families for REAL. The program is a good place for my child to interact with children. It is a good place for parent/grandparents to meet and give advises. This is a good resources for the community.

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 8:35 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** monica.nonaka@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Monica Nonaka  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [monica.nonaka@yahoo.com](mailto:monica.nonaka@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 8:25 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** mapiki@hawaii.edu  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Malia Kahawaii  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [mapiki@hawaii.edu](mailto:mapiki@hawaii.edu)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:



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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 8:23 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** raquel@mediaflight.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Raquel Tucker  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [raquel@mediaflight.com](mailto:raquel@mediaflight.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:  
This is very important legislation, we hope it gets passed!

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 7:37 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** poohbeo@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Glenn Fujikawa  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [poohbeo@hotmail.com](mailto:poohbeo@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/4/2011

Comments:

## **FINTestimony**

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 7:38 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** poohbeo@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Laurie Fujikawa  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [poohbeo@hotmail.com](mailto:poohbeo@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/4/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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m:  
t:  
To: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Cc: Monday, April 04, 2011 6:10 PM  
Subject: FINTestimony  
derekota@hawaii.rr.com  
Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Derek Ota  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [derekota@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:derekota@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/4/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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m:  
t:  
To: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Cc: Monday, April 04, 2011 6:09 PM  
Subject: FINTestimony  
gyoshimoto@horizonlines.com  
Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Gwen Yoshimoto  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [gyoshimoto@horizonlines.com](mailto:gyoshimoto@horizonlines.com)  
Submitted on: 4/4/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**At:** Monday, April 04, 2011 6:07 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** piilani\_lewis@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Sharilyn Lewis  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [piilani\\_lewis@hotmail.com](mailto:piilani_lewis@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/4/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 6:05 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** blakjewl58@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: Yes  
Submitted by: Julia Lui-Kwan  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [blakjewl58@hotmail.com](mailto:blakjewl58@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/4/2011

**Comments:**

I am writing in support of SB289. Families for Real is a unique program that gives young children an opportunity to go into a "school environment" with the support of their parents while teaching the parents valuable skills for preparing their children for school while encouraging parents to be involved in their children's education. Please save this program, it is invaluable and also serves families who may not have the money or opportunity to go to formal preschool. It is a step towards the transition to school readiness that every child deserves.

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 2:25 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** chris\_chang@notes.k12.hi.us  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Chris Chang  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [chris\\_chang@notes.k12.hi.us](mailto:chris_chang@notes.k12.hi.us)  
Submitted on: 4/4/2011

Comments:



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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Monday, April 04, 2011 2:23 PM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** ly2h@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Lynda Horita  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [ly2h@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:ly2h@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/4/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 9:54 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** llvb67@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Ray Uncangco  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [llvb67@yahoo.com](mailto:llvb67@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:  
Great Program!!!

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 9:59 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** yvonne.juarez@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Yvonne Juarez  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [yvonne.juarez@yahoo.com](mailto:yvonne.juarez@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:52 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** alba.morrow18@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

Testimony for FIN 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM SB289

Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: alba morrow  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [alba.morrow18@yahoo.com](mailto:alba.morrow18@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

**Comments:**

This is a very good program that has increased my child's knowledge base in age appropriate skills but has also enriched her social skills. This is our second time around, and would be incredibly upset to see it go away. The state of hawaii has a gem in this program for its preschool aged kids.

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:53 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** ioana\_jd@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: joan doi  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [ioana\\_jd@hotmail.com](mailto:ioana_jd@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:54 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** tsiu@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Tammi Siu  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [tsiu@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:tsiu@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:54 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** wklein27@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: wendy klein-Dao  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [wklein27@yahoo.com](mailto:wklein27@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 11:03 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** roxykalei@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Kaleimomi Cezar  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [roxykalei@gmail.com](mailto:roxykalei@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

**Comments:**  
As a parent who is currently participating in Families 4 R.E.A.L. program, I strongly support this bill.



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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 11:00 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** whitepikko@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: kelly yi  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [whitepikko@hotmail.com](mailto:whitepikko@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:59 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** liko01@me.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: lincoln siu  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [liko01@me.com](mailto:liko01@me.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:58 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** lpascua@live.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: leilani pascua  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [lpascua@live.com](mailto:lpascua@live.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**ent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:58 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** sallytam29.11@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: sally suemoto  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [sallytam29.11@gmail.com](mailto:sallytam29.11@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:57 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** tmtnguyen@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: trang nguyen  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [tmtnguyen@hotmail.com](mailto:tmtnguyen@hotmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**ent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:57 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** mika.mits@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Mika Mitsuyoshi  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [mika.mits@gmail.com](mailto:mika.mits@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:56 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** cobe@hawaiiantel.net  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: cobe moriki  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: cobe@hawaiiantel.net  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:55 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** tandchawaii@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: christen imig  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [tandchawaii@yahoo.com](mailto:tandchawaii@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:



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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:55 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** rsiu@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Reynold Siu  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [rsiu@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:rsiu@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Tuesday, April 05, 2011 10:56 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** mahalomama17@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: channing llaneza  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [mahalomama17@yahoo.com](mailto:mahalomama17@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/5/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 10:19 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** justin2825@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: justin agricula-balmoja  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [justin2825@gmail.com](mailto:justin2825@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

Comments:

## FINTestimony

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**ent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 10:21 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** nohealani2@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: joline murillo  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [nohealani2@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:nohealani2@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

Comments:  
this is a much needed program that helps with the growth and development of our young keiki,  
losing this program would really hurt alot of our young ones in their preparation of life.

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 10:23 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** ace22m\_2000@yahoo.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Anthony Castro  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [ace22m\\_2000@yahoo.com](mailto:ace22m_2000@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**ent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 10:57 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** yuka777444@yahoo.co.jp  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Toyoko O'Neil  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: yuka777444@yahoo.co.jp  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**Sent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 10:55 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** vickytoma@hotmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Vicky Ching  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: vickytoma@hotmail.com  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

Comments:

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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**ent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 10:48 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** tshaw@hawaii.rr.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Tiffany Feliciano  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [tshaw@hawaii.rr.com](mailto:tshaw@hawaii.rr.com)  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

Comments:



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**From:** mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
**ent:** Wednesday, April 06, 2011 10:35 AM  
**To:** FINTestimony  
**Cc:** ldtexeira@gmail.com  
**Subject:** Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Lorlina Texeira  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [ldtexeira@gmail.com](mailto:ldtexeira@gmail.com)  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

Comments:

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From: mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov  
Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 10:27 AM  
To: FINTestimony  
Cc: jnagatoshi@yahoo.com  
Subject: Testimony for SB289 on 4/6/2011 2:00:00 PM

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Conference room: 308  
Testifier position: support  
Testifier will be present: No  
Submitted by: Jonathan Nagatoshi  
Organization: Individual  
Address:  
Phone:  
E-mail: [jnagatoshi@yahoo.com](mailto:jnagatoshi@yahoo.com)  
Submitted on: 4/6/2011

### Comments:

This is a valuable program, and both me as a parent and especially my child have benefitted greatly from it. I'm sure that other have and will as well. There needs to be a program like Families for REAL in our community and state. It's going to be a part of the difference maker for the problems facing our kids education from the early years.