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**STATEMENT OF THE ILWU LOCAL 142 ON H.B. 1149, HD2  
RELATING TO WIND ENERGY FACILITIES**

The ILWU Local 142 offers comments and concerns about H.B. 1149, HD2, which requires the owner of a wind energy facility to be responsible for decommissioning of the facility and to provide evidence of financial security.

Wind energy is widely viewed as efficient, clean energy and a viable alternative to the use of fossil fuel to generate electricity. In Hawaii, however, wind is sometimes controversial because of where wind development is being proposed.

While there may be legitimate concerns about wind energy facilities becoming a blight on the environment after they have outlived their usefulness, we believe that federal and state environmental standards already exist to address decommissioning issues without the imposition of additional conditions. What happens to the wind energy facilities when they are no longer being used should be addressed by the owner of the land on which the facilities have been placed and the operators of the facilities.

We urge caution in considering H.B. 1149, HD2 which may unduly restrict development of an alternate energy resource that is both environmentally friendly and cost-effective. Thank you for allowing us to testify on this matter.

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