

**Testimony to the House Committee on Economic Development and Business  
Friday, February 8, 2013 at 9:00 A.M.  
Conference Room 312, State Capitol**

**RE: HOUSE BILL 1271 RELATING TO BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**

Chair Tsuji, Vice Chair Ward, and Members of the Committee:

The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii ("The Chamber") **supports the concept of** HB 1271 Relating to Business Development.

The Chamber is the largest business organization in Hawaii, representing over 1000 businesses. Approximately 80% of our members are small businesses with less than 20 employees. As the "Voice of Business" in Hawaii, the organization works on behalf of members and the entire business community to improve the state's economic climate and to foster positive action on issues of common concern.

We appreciate this bill to create a taskforce to set up a twenty-four market to help small businesses and strengthen communities. We also appreciate being involved as one of the taskforce members.

Should the bill move forward we ask that you change the title in the Chamber appointment from the "Chair" to the "President and CEO".

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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