

February 12, 2013

Representative Karl Rhoads, Chair
Representative Sharon E. Har, Vice Chair
House Committee on Judiciary
Hawaii State Legislature
State Capitol
Honolulu, HI 96813



RE: HB 632, HD1; Heard by House Judiciary Committee, February 12, 2013 @ 2:05pm

Chairman Rhoads and Vice-chair Har:

The Hawaii Health Information Corporation supports the intent of HB632, HD1– RELATING TO OPEN DATA, to make available data public agencies maintain for public use. This measure has made substantial improvements to the original proposal. However, we support the changes suggested by the State's CIO and by the Director of the State's Office of Information Practices, which strengthen and clarify the concepts and processes.

We appreciate the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

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Comments: I strongly support HB632, Relating to Open Data. This measure requires executive departments, boards, commissions, and agencies to make data available to the public. Absolves the State for liability for deficiencies or incomplete data. And requires the CIO to enact rules to address making data sets available to the public. We believe that this bill is the cornerstone to increasing transparency in government, will drive civic engagement, and will create the infrastructure needed to support the software development industry. The State CIO has started the process in choosing an open data platform and can require all systems being updated or developed to feed into it. This legislation will increase access to more data sets while still protecting the privacy of the public at little to no cost as the majority of State data is already being collected in a digital form. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this bill.

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