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Statement of
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before the
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Thursday, April 18, 2013
10:30 AM
State Capitol, Conference Room 016
in consideration of
HR 112

**ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS,
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO EXAMINE THE POTENTIAL
BENEFITS OF CREATING TWENTY-FOUR HOUR MARKETPLACES ACROSS THE
STATE.**

Chair McKelvey, Vice Chair Kawakami and Members of the House Committee on
Consumer Protection & Commerce.

The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) submits
comments on HR 112, which establishes a task force within the Department of Business,
Economic Development, and Tourism to examine the potential benefits of creating twenty-four
hour marketplaces across the State.

DBEDT does not have the necessary resources to undertake the administration of and
support to the Twenty-Four Hour Marketplace Task Force and the work would need to be
contracted out. The estimated cost would be approximately \$150,000.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.