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TO: The Honorable David Y. Ige, Chair
Senate Committee on Ways and Means

FROM: Patricia McManaman, Director

SUBJECT: **S.B. 1112 – RELATING TO DELETING STATE PUBLIC HOUSING
DELINQUENT ACCOUNTS**

Hearing: Friday, February 22, 2013; 9:00 a.m.
Conference Room 211, State Capitol

PURPOSE: The purpose of this bill is to authorize the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA) to delete delinquent accounts receivable records for state low-income public housing projects that have been delinquent at least ninety days and also authorizes the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to assign delinquent accounts to a collection agency.

DEPARTMENT'S POSITION: The Department of Human Services (DHS) supports this Administration bill. There should be a positive impact on the public as the HPHA will more quickly be able to delete from its accounts receivable records uncollectible debts from the state low-income public housing program in the same manner as under the federal low-income public housing program. This will reduce the negative impact of such long-term uncollectible accounts on the HPHA's financial statements.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.