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STATEMENT OF THE ILWU LOCAL 142 ON S.B. 52 RELATING TO AGING

The ILWU Local 142 supports S.B. 52, which establishes and funds a coordinator for active aging within the Executive Office on Aging. Active aging, as defined by the bill, means "the process of optimizing opportunities for health, participation, and security in order to enhance quality of life as people age."

Although private nonprofit and even public organizations already provide opportunities for seniors to enhance their quality of life, we believe this bill will provide for a government-funded position to coordinate the activities, hopefully reduce duplication, and ensure that services will be available throughout the state rather than primarily in urban centers.

The ILWU supports passage of S.B. 52. Thank you for the opportunity to share our views.