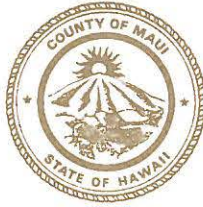


# HB 1588

## HD2

- Measure Title:** RELATING TO QUALIFIED COMMUNITY REHABILITATION PROGRAMS.
- Report Title:** Civil Service Law; Qualified Community Rehabilitation Programs
- Description:** Amends the civil service exemption for personal service contracts for custodial and grounds maintenance services with qualified community rehabilitation programs to last no more than one year and at a cost of \$850,000 per contract. Effective July 1, 2030. (HB1588 HD2)
- Companion:** [SB2744](#)
- Package:** None
- Current Referral:** HMS/JDL, WAM
- Introducer(s):** SOUKI, CARROLL

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### TESTIMONY OF ALAN ARAKAWA, MAYOR COUNTY OF MAUI

BEFORE THE SENATE  
COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

and

SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR

Tuesday, March 18, 2014, 10:00 a.m., Conference Rm. 016

### **HOUSE BILL 1588, HD2** RELATING TO QUALIFIED COMMUNITY REHABILITATION PROGRAMS

The Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair  
Honorable Josh Green, Vice Chair  
And Members of the Senate Committee on Human Services

The Honorable Clayton Hee, Chair  
Honorable Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Vice Chair  
And Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor

Thank you for this opportunity to testify **IN SUPPORT** of **HB 1588, HD2** relating to Qualified Community Rehabilitation Programs.

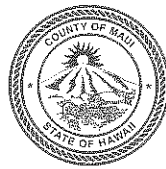
The purpose of this measure is to amend the exemption from the civil service laws for personal services, building, custodial, and grounds maintenance services with qualified community rehabilitation programs at a cost of no more than \$850,000 by specifying that the \$850,000 maximum applies "per contract".

I support this measure for the following reason:

- Qualified community rehabilitation programs provide disabled individuals in the community with needed work skills, training, and support for their growth and success. This measure will help to assure the continued ability for persons with mental and physical challenges to gain important job training skills and be placed into the work force. As mayor of Maui County, I am very supportive of these tremendous employment opportunities for this sector.

Thank you for this opportunity to offer testimony in support of HB 1588, HD2.

ALAN M. ARAKAWA  
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Glenn T. Correa, Director  
Maui County Department of Parks and Recreation  
700 Halia Nakoa Street, Unit 2  
Wailuku, HI 96793

Dear Chairs Oakland and Hee,

Re: H.B. No.1588, HD2– Relating to Qualified Community Rehabilitation Programs – Statement of Support

The Maui County Department of Parks and Recreation is IN SUPPORT of HB 1588, HD2 relating to Qualified Community Rehabilitation Programs.

The purpose of HB 1588, HD2 is to amend the civil service exemption for personal service contracts for custodial and grounds maintenance services with qualified community rehabilitation programs to last no more than one year and at a cost of \$850,000 per contract.

For persons with mental or physical challenges, being given the opportunity to be provided with vital occupational skills trainings and the chance to be a part of the community's workforce is invaluable. Qualified community rehabilitation programs play a significant role in the personal and professional growth and success of these individuals by creating opportunities that may not otherwise be available to them.

It is for this reason, that the Maui County Department of Parks and Recreation is in support of HB 1588, HD2. Thank you for this opportunity to offer testimony.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brianne Savage".

GLENN T. CORREA  
Director of Parks and Recreation

To: The Honorable Senator Suzanne Chun-Oakland, Chair – Human Services  
The Honorable Senator Josh Green, Vice Chair – Human Services  
The Honorable Senator Clayton Hee, Chair - Judiciary  
The Honorable Senator Maile Shimabukuro, Vice Chair - Judiciary

From: Laura Smith, President/CEO

Date: March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Re: **Testimony in Support of HB 1588 HD2 – Relating to Qualified Community Rehabilitation Programs.**

Goodwill Industries of Hawaii, Inc. (Goodwill) strongly supports HB 1588 HD1 which seeks to clarify the language HRS 76-77 to specify that the \$850,000 capped amount applies to each individual contract held by a Community Rehabilitation Program (CRP) rather than to the aggregate contracts it holds.

This exemption has been part of the statute for many years, and is meant to help people with significant disabilities engage in meaningful work through service contracts with State and County governments. It is one of the many tools a community rehabilitation program might use in assisting individuals with severe disabilities gain skills and be a part of the workforce.

Nearly 80 percent of people with disabilities nationwide are unemployed and not a part of the workforce. This type of exemption allows more people with disabilities to engage in meaningful work and provide job opportunities for them. Clarification of this statute will continue to open up opportunities to people who otherwise would not be offered a job.

Goodwill has always believed in the power to work and that given the right opportunities everyone can enjoy the benefits of employment. Offering the above clarification on this measure will allow CRPs to continue to work with the underserved of Hawaii towards a path to self-sufficiency.

We thank you for this opportunity to testify,



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HB 1588, HD2, Relating to Qualified Community Rehabilitation Programs

Good morning, Chairs Chun Oakland and Hee, Vice Chairs Green and Shimabukuro, and Members of the Human Services and Judiciary and Labor Committees,

Lanakila Pacific supports this measure to bring further clarity to section 76-77 (I6), Hawaii Revised Statutes and support continued employment for people with disabilities.

Founded in 1939, Lanakila Pacific is a Hawaii-based non-profit organization. Our programs and social enterprises currently serve over 2,300 Oahu and Kauai residents annually, with services that build independence and self-sufficiency, which in turn supports our greater community. Our programs include employment training and job placement assistance for people with disabilities.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of this measure.

Respectfully submitted,

Marian E. Tsuji  
President & CEO

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Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Matthew Wanderscheid

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I will also be providing testimony on Tuesday 3/18.



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*Joemar Dichoso*

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Sincerely,

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Ashley Kaeha

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Sincerely,

*Maria Lolita Jayta Cameron*

*Maria Lolita CAMERON.*

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*Daniel Rodriguez*

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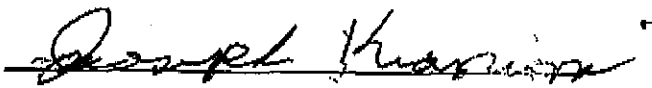
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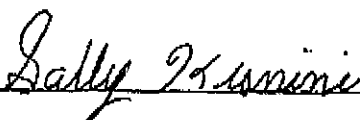
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