

# SB2399

Creates a geriatric research and technology park under the high technology development corporation. Designates certain properties to be included in the park.

Written Statement of  
**ROBBIE MELTON**  
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High Technology Development Corporation  
before the  
**SENATE COMMITTEES ON**  
**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS AND HOUSING**  
**And**  
**HUMAN SERVICES**

Thursday, February 6, 2014  
1:15 p.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 16  
In consideration of

**SB 2399 RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.**

Chairs Dela Cruz and Chun Oakland, Vice Chairs Slom and Green, and Members of the Committees on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing and Human Services.

The High Technology Development Corporation (HTDC) offers **comments** on SB 2399 relating to Economic Development. HTDC supports innovation and technology development in any industry, including the use of technology and manufacturing as key platforms for improved standards of care for Hawaii's elderly population. HTDC has a core competency in technology and manufacturing but does not have resources to explore private sector partnerships in this area. With limited resources HTDC suggests that our agency would be best suited in a support role for this initiative.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

Statement of  
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Before the

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES  
SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, GOVERNMENT  
OPERATIONS AND HOUSING**

February 6, 2014 at 1:15 p.m.  
State Capitol, Room 016

In consideration of  
**S.B. 2399**  
**RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.**

The HHFDC ***offers the following comments*** on S.B. 2399. We defer to the High Technology Development Corporation on the overall merits of this bill. However, HHFDC is willing to provide any consultation or other assistance that may be needed by the High Technology Development Corporation or any other agency as proposed in this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

# Community Alliance for Mental Health

February, 6, 2014

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To: Committee on Human Services, Economic Development, and Housing  
Re: SB 2399

Aloha Senators Chun-Oakland, Della Cruz, and the members of the committees,

On behalf of the Community Alliance for Mental Health along with United Self Help we support the passage of SB 2399.

We believe that the development of geriatric housing is essential with our state having one of the highest percentage of elderly of all states in the union. This is only one small step in facing our housing shortage but it is an essential step.

Scott Wall  
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