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Comments: Senators, I stand in STRONG SUPPORT of this measure to require continuing competency for RNs and LPNs in the State of Hawaii. I believe nurses should be lifelong learners and this requirement is not oppressive. With the prevalence of organization based continuing education and online programs, the cost to the individual nurse will be little to none. The benefit to compelling nurses to seek education after completion of training is directly linked to high quality nursing care which is a reasonable expectation of the people of Hawai'i. Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in support of this measure.

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