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Joyce Cabagbag	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support this bill to appropriate general funds for fiscal year 2014-2015 for the school athletics program of the department of education and authorizing additional coaching and assistant coaching positions for fiscal year 2014-2015 for the school athletics program. Many high school students in Hawaii go to colleges on athletic scholarships. With additional funding for these programs, this will benefit many. Thank you for reading my testimony. Joyce

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SB3083 SD1
RELATING TO SCHOOL ATHLETICS
Senate Committee on Ways and Means

February 27, 2014

9:00 a.m.

Room 211

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) submits the following **COMMENTS** for SB3083 SD1, which makes an appropriation to the State Department of Education (DOE) to restore resources for school athletics, and increases the positions authorized for school athletics in the DOE.

OHA's strategic priorities include Maui Ola (Health), which represents our commitment to improving the health and well-being of Native Hawaiians. OHA research shows obesity as one of the greatest threats to the health of Native Hawaiians, with Native Hawaiian rates of obesity at 49.3 percent, more than double the statewide rate. Data also show that Native Hawaiian students in public high schools have an obesity rate of 31.3 percent, with increasingly high levels of overweight students. In pursuit of its commitment to reduce the Native Hawaiian obesity rate, OHA collaborates with the Childhood Obesity Prevention Task Force, a body formed in 2012 with the goal of combating childhood obesity.

OHA hopes that the appropriations provided in SB3083 SD1 may complement OHA's efforts to reduce Native Hawaiian obesity rates, by increasing opportunities and incentives for athletic involvement in our public schools.

Mahalo nui for the opportunity to present testimony on this measure.