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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR
ON
SENATE BILL NO. 1152

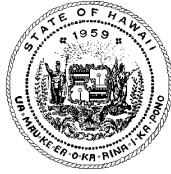
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MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

This measure is a vehicle bill to appropriate and authorize funds for collective bargaining cost items for salary adjustments and other cost adjustments for public employees represented by the Hawaii Government Employees' Association belonging to Bargaining Unit 14 (State law enforcement officers) and their excluded counterparts for Fiscal Biennium 2015-17.

The Department of Budget and Finance supports moving this bill, or similar a one, as negotiations are currently in progress and a vehicle bill will be necessary should an agreement be reached or arbitration award issued prior to the end of the legislative session. It is noted that Senate Bill No. 1076 is a similar Administration measure.

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For Hearing on Thursday, February 5, 2015
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**Senate Bill No. 1152
Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items**

(WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY)

CHAIRPERSON KEITH-AGARAN, VICE CHAIR SHIMABUKURO AND MEMBERS OF
THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR:

S.B. No. 1152 appropriates funds for fiscal biennium 2015 – 2017 for salary and employer-union health benefits trust fund costs for public employees in collective bargaining unit (14) and for certain employees excluded from collective bargaining.

The Office of Collective Bargaining (OCB) is **IN SUPPORT** of this bill.

OCB is in favor of this bill continuing to proceed through the legislative process to ensure adequate funding of negotiated cost items.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



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S.B. 1077, S.B. 1078, S.B. 1079,
S.B. 1083, S.B. 1084, and S.B. 1152

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO strongly supports S.B. 1077, S.B. 1078, S.B. 1079, S.B. 1083, S.B. 1084, and S.B. 1152 each of which provide a vehicle to implement pending collective bargaining agreements for fiscal biennium 2015 – 2017.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the above legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

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