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TESTIMONY OF PETER H. M. LEE HAWAII LECET

THE SENATE
THE TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2016

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Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Chair
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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 16, 2016
TIME: 2:45 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 225
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

RE: SB2749 - RELATING TO SCHOOL IMPACT FEES.

TO SENATOR BREENE HARIMOTO, CHAIR; SENATOR BRICKWOOD GALUTERIA, VICE CHAIR; AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING;

TO SENATOR MICHELLE KIDANI, CHAIR; SENATOR BREENE HARIMOTO, VICE CHAIR; AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION;

My name is Peter H. M. Lee, and I am submitting this testimony on behalf of Hawaii LECET. Hawaii LECET is a labor-management partnership between the Hawaii Laborers Union, Local 368, and its unionized contractors.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in **STRONG SUPPORT of SB2749**, Relating to School Impact Fees. SB2749 would provide an exemption from school impact fees for housing developments constructed by nonprofit housing organizations in which the units are rented or sold to persons or families earning up to eighty percent of the area median income.

While we understand the need for school impact fees to help meet our important educational needs, we think that exempting non-profits from school impact fees will help to add to the inventory of affordable housing and would assist in making home ownership a reality for many individuals and families. For these reasons, **Hawaii LECET strongly supports SB2749.**

Mahalo for this opportunity to testify.