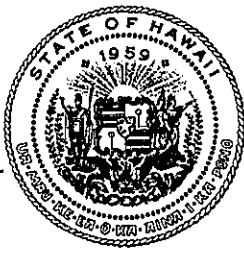


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RELATING TO THE PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL SPACE CENTER FOR EXPLORATION SYSTEMS

Increases the number of Pacific International Space Center for Exploration Systems' board members to eleven by adding the director of the office of aerospace development to the board of directors

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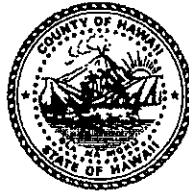
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Chair Espero, Vice Chair Baker, and members of the Committee. Although the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism appreciates the general intent of this bill to engage the Office of Aerospace Development (OAD) on the PISCES Board of Directors, the DBEDT director is already an appointed member of this board to represent the department in which OAD resides, and can assign the director of OAD to serve as his representative on this body.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

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February 12, 2015

The Honorable Senator Will Espero, Chair
and Members of the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental & Military Affairs

Dear Chair Espero and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in strong support of Senate Bill 673.

The passage of this bill will add the Director of the Office of Aerospace Development, or the Director's designated representative, to the PISCES Board of Directors.

PISCES collaborative technology development effort represents a valuable opportunity for Hawaii to leverage our State's unique geography and the resources and capabilities available at PISCES to secure a major role in the maturation and utilization of these pioneering technologies.

With all the appropriate stakeholders at the table, guiding the mission and vision of PISCES, we can build on the tremendous strides we have seen in recent years.

I respectfully ask that you recommend approval of this bill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis Onishi". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Dennis "Fresh" Onishi
Hawai'i County Council Member