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February 9, 2017

The Honorable Aaron Ling Johanson, Chair
House Committee on Labor & Public Employment
Twenty-Ninth Legislature
State Capitol
State of Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Representative Johanson and Members of the Committee:


SUBJECT: HB 1116 – Relating to Retaliation in State and State-Funded Services Discrimination.

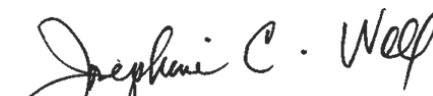
The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD) **supports HB 1116** which prohibits retaliation against people who assert rights under section 368-1.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, or oppose disability discrimination in state and state-funded services.

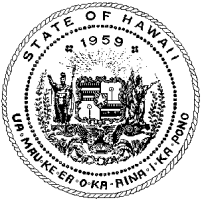
As a part of The Council's 2017-2021 Five-Year State Plan, one area of emphasis is Self-Advocacy and Self-Determination. We engage individuals with developmental disabilities to have a voice, to speak up for what they believe in, and to exercise their rights as citizens. The Council is committed in helping self-advocates to have the supports needed to build a statewide self-advocacy network that helps individuals have the life they want through leadership, education, and full participation in the community. Their views may differ from others like any other citizen, and their rights should be protected from discrimination. HB 1116 will support this effort.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit testimony in **support of HB1116**.

Sincerely,


Waynette K. Y. Cabral, MSW
Executive Administrator


Josephine C. Woll
Chair



HAWAI‘I CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION

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February 9, 2017
Rm. 309, 10:00 a.m.

To: The Honorable Aaron Ling Johanson, Chair
Members of the House Committee on Labor and Public Employment

From: Linda Hamilton Krieger, Chair
and Commissioners of the Hawai‘i Civil Rights Commission

Re: H.B. No. 1116

The Hawai‘i Civil Rights Commission (HCRC) has enforcement jurisdiction over Hawai‘i’s laws prohibiting discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodations, and access to state and state funded services. The HCRC carries out the Hawai‘i constitutional mandate that no person shall be discriminated against in the exercise of their civil rights. Art. I, Sec. 5.

The HCRC supports H.B. No. 1116, which amends HRS § 368-1.5 to add protection against retaliation against an individual because she or he asserted rights protected under that section, or opposed unfair discriminatory practices in state and state-funded services based on disability, or made a complaint, testified, assisted, or participated in an investigation, proceeding, or hearing regarding such discrimination.

If enacted, H.B. No. 1116 will conform the state and state-funded services statute with other laws enforced by the HCRC, by prohibiting retaliation against an individual for engaging in protected activity, helping to ensure full, equal, and nondiscriminatory access to state and state-funded services.

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HB1116

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Testimony for LAB on Feb 9, 2017 10:00AM in Conference Room 309

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February 8, 2017

Relating to HB 1116: House Committee on Labor & Public Employment

Dear Representatives Chair Johnson, Vice-Chair Holt and the L&PE House Committee:

Please support HB1116. As an advocate in Maui County for those with disabilities, I hear many instances where individuals have been discriminated against and therefore unable to move forward in their lives, quite often in gaining housing. This measure is a major step to assist those who struggle to gain equal footing and to support those with disabilities to have access to utilize the community as any other constituent.

With deep appreciation,
Lisa Darcy

The following measure may be of interest to you:

[HB 1116](#)
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RELATING TO RETALIATION IN STATE AND STATE-FUNDED SERVICES DISCRIMINATION.

Prohibits retaliation against people who assert rights under section 368-1.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, or oppose disability discrimination in state and state-funded services.

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TESTIMONY for Measure: HB 1116

Committee	LAB
Committee Referrals	LAB
Date of Hearing	02-09-17
Organization	Individual
Name of Testifier	Linda Elento
Job Title of Testifier	
Position – Circle One	Support / Oppose / Comments
Category – Circle One	Fed Govt. / State Govt. / County Govt. / Industry / Private
Notes:	Present