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Comments: PHHLCA concurs with this assessment and support this measure before the Finance Committee Bill Brown PHHLCA

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TESTIMONY BY WESLEY K. MACHIDA  
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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE  
ON  
SENATE BILL NO. 1309

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RELATING TO GRANTS

House Bill No. 1309 requires organizations receiving grants pursuant to section 42F-103, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to repay the State the amount of the grant used for the planning, design, construction, renovation, operations, and equipment of facilities, in the event that the organization fails to continue the activities or services for which the grant was approved. This measure also requires organizations that utilize grants to publicly recognize that the project was supported by the State.

The Department of Budget and Finance supports the intent of this measure to recoup state funds from organizations that fail to complete the activities or services for which the grant was approved. However, we question whether the Department can exercise exclusive authority to recoup state funds, particularly if an organization is involuntarily dissolved due to lack of financial resources.

We agree that the State of Hawaii should receive recognition for general fund awards made by the legislature to these organizations.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.