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before the

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON VETERANS, MILITARY, & INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS & CULTURE AND THE ARTS

Thursday, March 16, 2017 9:30a.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 429

in consideration of

HCR 58

REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO APPROVE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SISTER STATE-PROVINCE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII AND THE PROVINCE OF HENAN OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA.

Chair Ito, Vice Chair Tokioka, and Members of the Committee.

The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) would like to provide comments on HCR 58.

DBEDT is not aware of any business, cultural, trade, educational or investment relationships with Henan of the People's Republic of China at this time and recommends that this resolution be deferred until more information is available. The department would like to follow up and ascertain the extent of which this relationship can be mutually beneficial for both regions.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.



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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Rachel L. Kailianu	Individual	Support	Yes