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TESTIMONY BY WESLEY K. MACHIDA
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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
ON
SENATE BILL NOS. 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920,
921, 922, 923, 924, 925 AND 926, S.D. 1

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## RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

These measures are vehicle bills to appropriate and authorize funds for collective bargaining cost items for salary adjustments and other cost adjustments for public employees and their excluded counterparts for Fiscal Biennium 2017-19.

The Department of Budget and Finance supports moving these Administration measures, or similar ones, as negotiations are currently in progress and vehicle bills will be necessary should an agreement be reached or arbitration award issued prior to the end of the legislative session. The bargaining units addressed in the bills and the bill number for the Administration measure for that bargaining unit are as follows: Senate Bill No. 924, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 1; Senate Bill No. 914, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 2; Senate Bill No. 915, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 3; Senate Bill No. 916, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 4; Senate Bill No. 917, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 5; Senate Bill No. 918, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 6; Senate Bill No. 919, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 7; Senate Bill No. 920, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 8; Senate Bill No. 921, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 9; Senate Bill No. 922, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 10; Senate Bill No. 923, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 11; Senate Bill No. 925, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 13; and Senate Bill No. 926, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 14.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.



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Committee on Ways and Means

Testimony by Hawaii Fire Fighters Association

S. B. No. 923, S.D. 1 Relating to Public Employment Cost Items (BU11)

The Hawaii Fire Fighters Association (HFFA), Local 1463, IAFF, AFL-CIO, represents more than 1,900 professional active duty and 800 retired fire fighters throughout the State. The HFFA, on behalf of our members, strongly supports S.B. No. 923, S.D. 1.

To update the Committee and members on the arbitration proceedings, the hearing concluded on Friday, February 3, 2017. HFFA is hopeful that the award will be completed to ensure approval by the Legislature.

HFFA appreciates your Committee's favorable consideration of this measure and thank you for the opportunity to testify.