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Jeffrey Masatsugu	Painting Industry of Hawaii Labor Management Cooperation Trust Fund	Support	No

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Rachel L. Kailianu	Individual	Support	Yes

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**TESTIMONY OF HAWAII LECET
CLYDE T. HAYASHI - DIRECTOR**

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, February 24, 2017
TIME: 9:30AM
PLACE: Conference Room 229

TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 685, RELATING TO THE CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD.

ALOHA COMMITTEE CHAIR ROSALYN BAKER, COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR CLARENCE NISHIHARA, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH:

My name is Clyde T. Hayashi, and I am the Director of Hawaii LECET. Hawaii LECET is a labor-management partnership between the Hawaii Laborers Union, Local 368, and its unionized contractors.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify in **OPPOSITION** to Senate Bill No. 685. This bill proposes alters the makeup of the contractors license board to include fifteen members, eight of which to have been engaged in contracting in the State for at least five years and seven of which shall be members of the public who are not licensed contractors.

The CLB's current membership of 5 General Contractors, 5 Specialty Contractors, and 3 Non-Contractors is fair and have worked well for years. The board requires a level of knowledge and expertise from its members in order to conduct board business efficiently. Lowering the number of Contractors from 10 to 8, and more than doubling the number of Non-Contractors from 3 to 7 could make it difficult to complete agenda items timely.

In addition, this bill essentially penalizes Specialty Contractors from serving on the CLB if they also held a General Contractors license. On certain projects, procuring agencies require a General Contracting license in order to bid on solicitations. Many Specialty Contractors apply for a General Contractor's license for this reason alone. The mere fact that a Specialty Contractor representative on the board that also holds a General Contractors license does NOT equate that that Specialty Contractor will be biased or sympathetic towards General Contractor issues. In fact, there is no evidence to support such an accusation.

Lastly, this bill asserts that there is or was a conflict of interest by a Non-Contractor member who is related to, or have a financial interest with a Contractor member on the CLB. I don't know any time in the CLB's history that this occurred. Board members are required to attend ethics training from the Hawaii State Ethics Commission. Such issues, should they arise are usually addressed with the board's Deputy Attorney General. This assertion is unfounded and this bill is not necessary.

For these reasons, I **strongly oppose** Senate Bill No. 685 and humbly ask that it is deferred.



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To: Senate Committee on Consumer Protection & Health
Honorable Chairperson Rosalyn Baker & Vice Chairman Clarence Nishihara

From: Al Itamoto, Executive Director
Electrical Contractors Association of Hawaii
National Electrical Contractors Association, Hawaii Chapter

Subject: SB 685 Relating to Contractors License Board

Notice of Hearing

Date: Friday, February 24, 2017
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415 South Beretania Street

Dear Chair Baker and Committee members:

The Electrical Contractors Association of Hawaii (ECAH) is a non-profit association representing over 100 electrical contractors doing business in the State of Hawaii. ECAH **opposes** the intent and purpose of SB 685 that changes the makeup of the contractors license board by increasing the total number of members and to increase the number of public members. Section 1 states the purpose of SB 685 as to better protect the public from dishonest, fraudulent, unskilled or otherwise unqualified contractors by ensuring that specialty contractors are not administratively kept off the contractors license board. Increasing the total number of members and the number of public members does not accomplish this. Primarily, the contractors license board covers issues related to construction contracting of the many licensed classifications. Many determinations made by this board require the knowledge and experience of contracting. Simply increasing the number of public members does not add to the expertise required to make informed decisions. The current makeup of the board has served the construction industry well and the proposed changes will not improve public safety as the purpose states.

Based on the above, ECAH **opposes** the passage of SB 685 and encourage this committee to kill this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this issue.