



COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM, AND TECHNOLOGY

Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair
Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair

DATE: Monday, January 30, 2017
TIME: 1:15pm
PLACE: Conference Room 414

Testimony of the Ocean Tourism Coalition Speaking in Support of SB 762

SB 762 RELATING TO THE SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY REVIEW BOARD.

Chair Senator Wakai, Vice Chair Taniguchi and Senators of ETT:

My name is James E. Coon, President of the Ocean Tourism Coalition (OTC). The OTC represents over 300 small ocean tourism businesses state wide. Most of these are family businesses which are locally owned and operated. Many of them have been in business for several decades and are an important and valued part of their respective communities. Most of these businesses operate from State Boating Facilities. Our industry is highly regulated with new regulations being promulgated each year. We support this bill, however we would like to see this funding provide a better mechanism for small business to have access to the SBRRB agendas and supporting submittal documents.

We would suggest a format similar to the BLNR notification process where interested parties could sign up for notification of SBRRB meetings and get the agenda sent via email.

Currently the SBRRB may have items that are vital to our stakeholders on their agenda but have no apparent outreach mechanism to alert the affected small businesses. **If this notification process were available it would make the SBRRB much more relevant and responsive to the small business community.**

Sincerely,

James E. Coon, President, Ocean Tourism Coalition

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