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Statement of
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before the
**SENATE COMMITTEES ON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM AND TECHNOLOGY
AND
JUDICIARY**

Friday, March 23, 2018
1:30 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 414

in consideration of

**SCR 121 / SR 78
REQUESTING THE HAWAII SISTER-STATE COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT OF
BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO EVALUATE THE
SISTER-STATE PROGRAM AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPROVE THE
CAPACITY AND SUSTAINABILITY OF THE EFFORTS TO PROMOTE MUTUALLY
BENEFICIAL INTERNATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.**

Chairs Wakai and Taniguchi, Vice Chair Rhoads, and Members of the Committees.

The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) supports the intent of SCR121 / SR78, which requests the Hawaii Sister-State Committee and DBEDT to evaluate the Sister-State program and make recommendations to improve the capacity and sustainability of the efforts to promote mutually beneficial international relationships.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

SCR-121

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i	Support	No

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