

**Testimony of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs**

**Before the  
House Committee on Finance  
Wednesday, March 27, 2019  
2:00 p.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 308**

**On the following measure:  
S.B. 385, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL  
AND VOCATIONAL LICENSING**

Chair Luke and Members of the Committee:

My name is Charlene Tamanaha, and I am the Licensing Administrator of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs' (Department) Professional and Vocational Licensing Division (PVL). The Department takes no position on sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, and 8 of this bill and offers comments on sections 6, 9, and 10.

The purpose of this bill is to repeal defaults on student loans, student loan repayment contracts, and scholarship contracts as grounds for denying and sanctioning professional and vocational licensees.

This bill repeals Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) section 457-9(c) in section 6, HRS section 436B-19.6 in its entirety in section 9, and HRS chapter 436C in its entirety in section 10. To date, there have been no initial or renewal license denials, suspensions, or revocations pursuant to these sections because the PVL has not received any certification from an administering entity that a licensee or an applicant is in default or breach or past due under a repayment plan, as required under HRS chapter 436C.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

**SB-385-HD-2**

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Dylan P. Armstrong	Oahu County Democrats	Support	No

Comments: