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Representative Aaron Ling Johanson, Chair
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Place of Hearing: Conference Room 309

**TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 1412 RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
BUDGET AND FINANCE**

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My name is Dayton M. Nakanelua and I am the State Director of the United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO (UPW). The UPW is the exclusive bargaining representative for approximately 14,000 public employees, which include blue collar, non-supervisory employees in Bargaining Unit 01 and institutional, health and correctional employees in Bargaining Unit 10, in the State of Hawaii and four counties. The UPW also represents about 1,500 members in the private sector.

HB1412 appropriates \$1,729,000 to provide funding for the operations of the department of budget and finance for the fiscal biennium beginning July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021. This is for Program HTH214 – Maui Health System, a KFH LLC. The UPW strongly supports this measure and appreciates the consideration of the committee in passing this important bill for those UPW employees affected by the transfer of the former Maui Region Hospitals of the HHSC to Kaiser Hospital.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.

HB1344 appropriates funds for the DHRD operating budget for fiscal biennium July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2021. The UPW supports this measure.