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Statement of
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before the
SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
Thursday, April 4, 2019
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State Capitol, Conference Room 211
In consideration of
HB 773, HD2, SD2 Proposed
RELATING TO DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM.

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means.

The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) respectfully offers the following comments to HB 773, HD2, SD2 Proposed, which requires and appropriates funds to DBEDT to develop an annual regional economic plan for each county development or community plan area to provide K-16 pathways and qualified internship programs to meet each region's specific industry needs.

DBEDT appreciates HB 773, HD2, SD2 Proposed and feels that it is a meritorious program which requires careful planning and collaboration by five state departments and hundreds of schools and industry partners to be implemented successfully.

DBEDT requests deletion of the requirement in Section 2, page 4, lines 10 and 11, that the plans be "...based on the development or community boundaries of each respective county."

In checking with DBEDT's Research and Economic Analysis Division and the Office of Planning, it was determined that the required data for those sub-county areas do not exist. Further, with the exception of Hawaii County's Hilo and Kona regions, job markets are not limited to sub-county areas, so the plans would not be useful in creating Career Pathways or internship programs.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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To: Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair and
Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair and
Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

From: Allicyn Tasaka, Executive Director
Workforce Development Council

RE: HB 773, HD2, SD1 Proposed SD2 Relating to the Department of Business, Economic
Development, and Tourism

Hearing: April 4, 2019, 1:40 p.m., Conference Room 211

POSITION: Comments

Good afternoon Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran and members of the Committee on Ways and Means. I am Allicyn Tasaka, Executive Director of the Workforce Development Council (WDC) testifying on HB 733, HD2, SD1 Proposed SD2 to offer comments.

The Proposed SD2 version requires DEBT to develop annual regional economic plans for each county to provide K-16 pathways and qualified internship programs to meet each region's specific industry needs for public and public charter schools, involving the WDC, DOE and UH. Participating schools may receive up to \$1,000 in bonus incentives for each student who successfully completes a qualified internship program or receives an industry certification. Qualified internship programs shall be exempt from Hawaii public procurement code, HRS Chapter 103D.

The WDC is responsible for the administrative oversight and implementation of a federally mandated initiative, the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act of 2014 or WIOA. The agency is tasked with strategic planning and developing the infrastructure and providing federal WIOA funds to each county to deliver direct services for a seamless common intake and referral system at the American Job Centers (or One-Stop Centers) so job seekers and employers can maneuver through the workforce system efficiently and receive employment, education, training and support services throughout the State. The WDC is administratively attached to the DLIR.

Under WIOA and the employment services offered at the American Job Centers to job seekers and employers, development of career pathways, internship and apprenticeship programs are in the works primarily at the post-secondary level. The transition for services at the county level to comply with the federal rules and regulations are in various phases of implementation. WDC is working closely with the new county administration on Maui and Kauai to orient them on WIOA and the one-stop delivery system of services. The federal initiatives are data and job-driven and emphasize work-based training.

The federal funds that WDC administers is specific to WIOA Title 1 (adult, dislocated worker and youth services) and as included in the WIOA Hawaii Unified State Plan, the Hawaii Career Pathway System increases access to and opportunities for employment, education, training, and support services, particularly for individuals with the greatest barriers to employment. These individuals include low-income individuals; Native Hawaiians; individuals with disabilities, including youth who are disabled; adults; ex-offenders; homeless individuals, or homeless children and youth; youth who are in or have aged out of foster care; English language learners, individuals who have low levels of literacy, individuals facing substantial cultural barriers; Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program (TANF); single parents; veterans, and long-term unemployed individuals.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer comments on HB 733, HD2, SD1, Proposed SD2.



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Date: 04/04/2019
Time: 01:40 PM
Location: 211
Committee: Senate Ways and Means

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Dr. Christina M. Kishimoto, Superintendent of Education

Title of Bill: HB 0773, HD2, SD2 PROPOSED RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM.

Purpose of Bill: Requires and appropriates funds for the department of business, economic development, and tourism to develop annual regional economic plans for each county to identify regional economic priorities and industry clusters and jobs within those priorities and clusters. Requires the workforce development council to develop, based on the findings of the regional economic plans, K-16 pathways and programs in each public school and public charter school that prepare students to fill the priority jobs identified in the regional economic plans. Requires participating schools to communicate opportunities to enroll in K-16 pathways, receive industry certifications, and place students in qualified internship programs to prepare students for jobs identified by regional economic plans as priorities in each geographical area. (Proposed SD2)

Department's Position:

The Department of Education (Department) appreciates the intent of HB 773, HD2, SD2 Proposed and respectfully offers comments.

Our work is galvanized around a vision for workforce development in Hawaii that ensures all employers have competitively-skilled employees, and all residents have sustainable employment and self-sufficiency. The Department collaborates closely with the Office of the State Director for Career and Technical Education and Hawaii P-20 Partnerships for Education to implement and support K-16 programs pursuant to the federal Carl Perkins Act for Career and Technical Education.

Career pathways are offered to students by Hawaii's public high schools to guide career exploration and planning activities, to focus teaching and learning, and to link education with relevant, real-world activities. The six pathways are comprised of: Arts and Communication, Business, Health Services, Industrial and Engineering Technology, Natural Resources, and Public and Human Services. Additionally, a range of studies within each pathway promotes

student choice to develop their academic and career potential and aspirations. More information on Career and Technical Education can be found on the Department's public website at: <http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/TeachingAndLearning/StudentLearning/CTE/Pages/default.aspx>

Further, in recognition of the importance for a joint agency workforce preparation program for our students, the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, and employers statewide collaborated with the Department to recognize competencies required for employment in entry-level jobs. The Department has also strategically coordinated workforce readiness programs with its vested partners in many of its public high schools to expand opportunities for students to earn pre-apprenticeship and other industry-recognized certificates to strengthen capacity to fill job market needs in post-secondary years.

Schools implement pathways based on a number of factors including student interest, availability of resources, and workforce demand. Throughout the continuous process to ensure access to comprehensive and high-quality opportunities to prepare students for careers, there is need for data to inform efforts and expanding programs with industries being proposed in the bill.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony.

The Hawaii State Department of Education seeks to advance the goals of the Strategic Plan which is focused on student success, staff success, and successful systems of support. This is achieved through targeted work around three impact strategies: school design, student voice, and teacher collaboration. Detailed information is available at www.hawaiipublicschools.org.

HB-773-SD-1

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
francisco grijalva	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

To : The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair and Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair

House Committee on Ways and Means

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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF

H.B. NO.733, H.D.2,S.D.2 Proposed

: RELATING TO HOUSING

Thank you for allowing me to submit my written testimony. My name is Francisco Grijalva I am a social Work student at the University of Hawaii in Manoa. I am currently working in a internship with homeless youth, in conjunction with HaleKipa's YO! Program. I support this bill because I am in direct contact with this population and this proposed bill will immensely benefit the future generations to come. By creating job specific internships for youths in Hawaii

this will provide direction & purpose while simultaneously creating new career paths. Creating incentive for schools to build programs that are geared towards technological advances of today, individuals will feel more connected to their community. Furthermore this regional program we'll build an infrastructure that can be expanded on while simultaneously preparing for a realistic future.

HB-773-SD-1

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Robert Alec Cornejo	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

For : April 4th 2019 - HB 773 (SD2 Proposed)

To : The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair and Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair

House Committee on Ways and Means

Hearing Date : Thursday, April 4rd 2019

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From : Robert 'Alec' Cornejo

HB 773 (SD2 Proposed) RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM.

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and Members, Committee on Ways and Means,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a testimony today. My name is Robert 'Alec' Cornejo and I am in support of HB 773, (SD2 Proposed). I am a social work student at

the University of Hawaii at Manoa and so far in my social work career, I have had great opportunities to work with a few different populations in my field, currently I am working with homeless youth in Waikiki. The struggles that I see these young individuals go through are caused by unstable living environments and key factors like job training and means to obtain such training. I believe that by supporting this bill, I am not only perpetuating a brighter future for young individuals in Hawaii, but together we are providing a path that may be harder to reach for those with a smaller support system. Lastly, what stuck out to me was the fact mentioned in the bill provided by the : Census Bureau which found that twenty-three more people per day moved out of Hawaii than moved into the State from July 2017 to July 2018.'. The privilege of escaping the economic conditions of Hawaii are not so equal across the board, and that is why I am in support of HB 773, (SD 2 Proposed)