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TESTIMONY TO THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND TOURISM

For Hearing on Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 10 a.m.
Conference Room 312 via video teleconference

BY

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**SCR240 SD1: URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT
TO ESTABLISH A NEW SERVICE CLASS FOR PROJECT MANAGERS
UNDER COLLECTIVE BARGAINING UNIT 13.**

WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

CHAIR ONISHI, VICE-CHAIR SAYAMA AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The Department of Human Resources Development supports the intent of SCR240 SD1. As noted in the resolution, much work has already taken place toward establishing such a class within Bargaining Unit 13. DHRD remains committed to collaborating with our partners across the executive branch to finish this work that would establish a class of work for project managers that addresses different specialties.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of the intent of this resolution.



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S.C.R. 240 – URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN
RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT TO ESTABLISH A NEW SERVICE
CLASS FOR PROJECT MANAGERS UNDER BARGAINING UNIT 13

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO supports the intent of S.C.R. 240 which urges the Department of Human Resources Development to establish a new service class for project managers under bargaining unit 13.

As the preamble of S.C.R. 240 identifies, there is no specific classification for project managers and departments are currently utilizing a civil servant in the general professional series. This has led to a pay discrepancy where the supervising project manager is compensated at a lower rate than those that he or she is managing. We are hopeful that this additional class will assist the Departments in recruiting and retaining qualified project managers.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of S.C.R. 240.

Respectfully submitted,

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