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TESTIMONY BY CRAIG K. HIRAI
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TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
ON
SENATE BILL NO. 579, S.D. 1

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RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST HOUSE OF
ALOHA ENTERPRISES LLC.

The Department of Budget and Finance offers the following comments on Senate Bill No. 579, S.D. 1, which authorizes the issuance of Special Purpose Revenue Bonds (SPRB) to assist the House of Aloha Enterprises LLC, a Hawaii limited liability company, with the planning, designing, constructing, and equipping facilities for the purpose of creating business in Hawaii for the manufacturing, processing, and distribution of products such as, but not limited to, the production of value-added agricultural, advanced materials, sustainable, and fine art products pursuant to Part IV, Chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The Department would like to inform the Legislature and prospective SPRB parties that should the legislation be approved, approval of the SPRB issuance and conduit loan will require further review of the financing proposal to ensure compliance with all federal, state and credit underwriting requirements. For additional information, please consult our FAQ located at the following link: <http://budget.hawaii.gov/wp-content/uploads/2012/11/SPRB-FAQ.pdf>.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.