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In consideration of
**SB724 SD1 RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
DEVELOPMENT**

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and the members of the committee.

The Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD) is in **strong support** and offers the following comments on SB724 SD1.

The purpose of SB724 SD1 is to appropriate funds and authorizes general obligation bonds for the enhancement of technology resources for the Department of Human Resources Development.

DHRD's network infrastructure was last updated in 1994. The department's information technology systems require a digital modernization to support current functions and future improvements. The department's preliminary estimate is that \$2,584,850 is needed for the following:

1. Upgrade information technology systems including network upgrades to CAT 6 to energize all lines, as not all network lines are currently working;
2. Purchase and installation of desktop computers, workstations, and laptop computers; and
3. A minimum of 2 IT Specialist for the Information Systems Office.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.