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Statement of  
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before the  
**SENATE COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM**

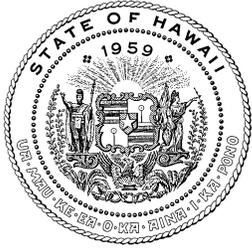
Thursday, February 6, 2025  
1:15 PM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 229

In consideration of  
**S.B. 1343**  
**RELATING TO THE SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY REVIEW BOARD.**

Chair DeCoite, Vice Chair Wakai, and members of the Committee. The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) supports Senate Bill 1343, an Administration bill. This measure allows a majority of the Small Business Regulatory Review Board's (SBRRB's) currently appointed members to constitute a quorum to do business and to take official action at its monthly board meetings.

Currently, the SBRRB's statute requires that a majority of all the members to which the board is entitled will constitute a quorum. We expect that the proposed quorum requirements will allow the SBRRB to function without interruption at the monthly board meetings.

Thank you for allowing DBEDT the opportunity to testify in support of this measure.



## SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY REVIEW BOARD

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### TESTIMONY

**TO:** Chair DeCoite, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee on Economic Development, and Tourism

**FROM:** Jonathan Shick, Chair, Small Business Regulatory Review Board (SBRRB)

*Jonathan Shick*

**DATE:** February 6, 2025 – Room 229 & Videoconference at 1:15 p.m.

**SUBJECT:** Support – Senate Bill 1343– Relating to the Small Business Regulatory Review Board

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On behalf of the SBRRB, I submit this testimony in support of Senate Bill 1343, Relating to the Small Business Regulatory Review Board.

Senate Bill 1343 will amend quorum requirements to do business and validate acts of the SBRRB to account for vacancies, and it will allow the SBRRB to function without interruption thereby benefiting small business owners.

I am proud of the success and accomplishments this hardworking group of gratis members has had over the past 25+ years. This measure will ensure the stability of the SBRRB by clarifying its legislative powers under the Small Business Regulatory Flexibility Act.

Thank you for hearing our comments and the SBRRB's support of Senate Bill 1343.

**SB-1343**

Submitted on: 2/5/2025 4:52:22 PM

Testimony for EDT on 2/6/2025 1:15:00 PM

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Mary Albitz	Testifying for Small Business Regulatory Review Board	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this bill because this board has had some issues with meeting quorum and then our work is delayed which hurts small businesses. Please approve this bill SB1343.

Mahalo,

Mary Albitz, Vice Chair, Small Business Regulatory Review Board