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TESTIMONY BY LUIS P. SALAVERIA DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND TECHNOLOGY ON

SENATE BILL NOS. 1346, 1347, 1348, 1349, 1350, 1351, 1353, 1354, 1355, 1356, 1357, AND 1358

> **January 31, 2025** 3:00 p.m. Room 224 and Videoconference

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

The Department of Budget and Finance supports moving these Administration proposals, or similar bills, as collective bargaining (CB) negotiations are currently in progress and vehicle bills may be necessary if an agreement is reached requiring an appropriation prior to the end of the legislative session.

These measures appropriate and authorize appropriations for CB cost items for salary adjustments and other cost adjustments for Fiscal Biennium 2025-27.

The bargaining units (BU) addressed in the bills are as follows: Senate Bill (S.B.) No. 1346, BU 1; S.B. No. 1347, BU 2; S.B. No. 1348, BU 3; S.B. No. 1349, BU 4; S.B. No. 1350, BU 5; S.B. No. 1351, BU 6; S.B. No. 1353, BU 8; S.B. No. 1354, BU 9; S.B. No. 1355, BU 10; S.B. No. 1356, BU 11; S.B. No. 1357, BU 13; and S.B. No. 1358, BU 14.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

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RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO strongly supports the passage of S.B.: 1347, 1348, 1349, 1351, 1353, 1354, 1357, and 1358, which provides appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for the members of Unit (2), (3), (4), (6), (8), (9), (13), and (14) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2025-2027

We respectfully request that this measure be passed to cover the cost of any collective bargaining cost item(s).

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support.

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Director

