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Hawaii State Capital

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RE:

IN SUPPORT OF HB 643, HD2

RELATING TO CONTRACTORS

Hearing: Mon., March 23, 2009, 10:15 a.m., Room 229

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Ige, and the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, Chair Takamine, Vice Chair Taniguchi, and the Senate Committee on Labor:

For the Record my name is Buzz Hong the Executive Director for the Hawaii Bullding & Construction Trades Council, AFL-CIO. Qur Council is comprised of 16-construction unions and a membership of 26,000 statewide.

The Council SUPPORTS the passage of HB 643, HD2 that authorizes the Contractors License Board to suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew a contractor's license for employing a worker on a public work project who is ineligible to work in the United State under federal law.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony in support of HB 643, HD2.

Sincerely,

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