## Testimony In Support of HB 987 Relating to Unemployment

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Honorable Karl Rhoads, Chair; Honorable Kyle T. Yamashita, Vice Chair and Members of the Committee:

The Laborers' Union strongly supports the intent of HB 987 which creates the state comprehensive employment training program.

We recommend that a provision be included in the bill that prevents an employer receiving this subsidy from replacing directly, regular workers with trainees under the comprehensive employment training program.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.