## HCR 148

Measure Title:

URGING A STATE-LED COORDINATED EFFORT BY THE HEALTH CARE AND TECHNOLOGY COMMUNITIES TO ENSURE THAT HAWAII IS ABLE TO RAPIDLY RESPOND TO AND QUALIFY FOR GRANT MONEY OFFERED IN THE AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT OF 2009 FOR HEALTH CARE INFORMATION EXCHANGE TECHNOLOGY.

Report Title:

**Health Information Exchange; American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009** 



The Senate Committee on Health
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The Senate Committee on Economic Development and Technology
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Testimony in Support of HCR 148 Urging A State-Led Coordinated Effort By The Health Care And Technology Communities To Ensure That Hawaii Is Able To Rapidly Respond To And Qualify For Grant Money Offered In The American Recovery And Reinvestment Act Of 2009 For Health Care Information Exchange Technology

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On behalf of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) Corporation Board of Directors, thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in support of HCR 148.

HHSC supports and would be pleased to work jointly in a coordinated effort of State leadership and community health and technology stakeholders to ensure that Hawaii is able to rapidly respond to and qualify for grant money offered in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 for health care information exchange technology. This concerted effort presents a significant opportunity to advance health care technology that would benefit patients, providers and insurers throughout the state of Hawaii.

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