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> S.B. 1087 – RELATING TO PRETAX TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT

The Hawaii Government Employees Association strongly supports the purpose and intent of S.B. 1087. Given the obvious benefits of encouraging employees to utilize public transportation, it makes good sense to expand the existing pre-tax transportation pilot program to all counties and to make the program permanent.

The program is a way for public employers to assist their employees during these challenging economic times while helping to reduce traffic congestion and fuel dependency.

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

Respectfully submitted

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