## LATE TESTIMONY



## STATE OF HAWAI'I

HAWAI'I TEACHER STANDARDS BOARD 650 Iwilei Road, Suite 201 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96817

## TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND HOUSING

**RE: SB204 Relating to Education** 

Monday, February 2, 2009

## DR. JONATHAN GILLENTINE, CHAIRPERSON Hawaii Teacher Standards Board

Chairman Sakamoto and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii Teacher Standards Board strongly supports the intent of SB204 Relating to Education, which seeks to enable our board, the Department of Education and all Hawaii State Approved Teacher Education institutions to develop data interfaces with each other so that we can share critical data needed by all of us. SB 204 also provides funds for use by all the partners for the purposes of the bill.

However, the Board prefers SB 141 Relating to Education because it contains updated language. So we ask that you defer action until after consideration of SB 141.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.