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Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 9:38 AM
To: LABtestimony
Subject: Take Action Now

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TESTIMONY TO THE HOUSE LABOR & PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2009 8:30 A.M.
IN ROOM 309

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Darrel Tajima
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Cynthia Rankin
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Ben Dorado
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From: maylynn.wong@halekulani.com
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 10:24 AM
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I respectfully request that you hold SB 63 relating to Workers' Compensation. I am the Human Resources Manager for Halekulani Hotels & Resorts. The passing of any and all 3 of these Worker's Compensation bills will cause some physicians and their patients to abuse the system.

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From: Robert.welch@vacationclub.com
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 10:11 AM
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John Jaskula
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Lahaina, HI 96761

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From: acheng@cochawaii.org
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To: LABtestimony
Subject: Stop Bill

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[X] Karl Rhoads Hawaii House of Representatives
PH: 808-586-6180 Fax: 808-586-6189

April Cheng 1132 Bishop Street, Suite 402 Honolulu, HI 96813-2830 TESTIMONY TO THE HOUSE LABOR & PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2009 8:30 A.M. IN ROOM 309 RE: SB 63 RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Yamashita and members of the committee: I respectfully request that you hold SB 63 relating to Workers' Compensation. This measure requires the employer to continue temporary total disability benefits regardless of whether the employer controverts the right to benefits. Although I understand the intent of the bill, I believe this bill may serve as a disincentive to return to work, which will be counterproductive to its actual purpose. Furthermore, if the Director of Labor determines that the claim is not work related, or there is overpaid TTD benefits, or there is no permanent partial disability, the employers will be stuck with the costs with no recoupment. This measure, if passed, may increase my workers' compensation premiums and the over all cost of doing business, a time when my business and the community cannot afford to undertake. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony.

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From: Robert.welch@vacationclub.com
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Robert Welch
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From: lwong67770@aol.com
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Subject: A Cost we can't afford....

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Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 10:50 AM
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Paul Kosasa 766 Pohukaina Street Honolulu, HI 96813-5307
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I am writing today as the President/CEO of HawaiiUSA Federal Credit Union, which serves 128,000 members in Hawaii and has 300 employees. We are concerned about SB 63 and its effect on the cost of doing business in Hawaii during these unprecedented economic times. All companies in Hawaii are struggling to control expenses and increase productivity to retain our employees, if at all possible. We are concerned about legislation that increases our expenses and potentially reduces our productivity.

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Christine Hebenstreit
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Virginia J. Holmes
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Lorri Redlew
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Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Yamashita and members of the committee:

I respectfully request that you hold SB 63 relating to Workers' Compensation.

Since 1978, Pacific Transfer LLC has been providing local trucking, freight and moving services to the community with just over 100 employees island-wide.

This measure requires the employer to continue temporary total disability benefits regardless of whether the employer controverts the right to benefits. We have experienced questionable, if not fraudulent, claims during our history and do not feel this measure adequately addresses these concerns.

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This measure, if passed, may increase my workers' compensation premiums and the overall cost of doing business, at a time when our company and the community will struggle to afford such an undertaking.

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yamashita2 - Kristen

From: lbush@ymcahonolulu.org
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 12:16 PM
To: LABtestimony
Subject: Take Action Now

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Larry H. Bush
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TESTIMONY TO THE HOUSE LABOR & PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2009 8:30 A.M.
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yamashita2 - Kristen

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Brian Arkle
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Honolulu, HI 96819-1941

TESTIMONY TO THE HOUSE LABOR & PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2009 8:30 A.M.
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Benjamin Ventura
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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony.

yamashita2 - Kristen

From: RobertS@rmtowill.com
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Robert E. Spencer
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TESTIMONY TO THE HOUSE LABOR & PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2009 8:30 A.M.
IN ROOM 309

RE: SB 63 RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Yamashita and members of the committee:

I respectfully request on behalf of my employer, R. M. Towill Corporation, that you hold SB 63 relating to Workers' Compensation.

This measure requires the employer to continue temporary total disability benefits regardless of whether the employer controverts the right to benefits.

Although we understand the intent of the bill, we believe this bill may serve as a disincentive to return to work, which will be counterproductive to its actual purpose. Furthermore, if the Director of Labor determines that the claim is not work related, or there is overpaid TTD benefits, or there is no permanent partial disability, the employers will be stuck with the costs with no recoupment.

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 842-1133. Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony.

yamashita2 - Kristen

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Marlene Nations
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Aiea, HI 96701-4114

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From: lkohara@referentia.com
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 1:12 PM
To: LABtestimony
Subject: SB 63 Relating to Worker's Comp

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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony.

yamashita2 - Kristen

From: pbustamante@pacificlight.net
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 4:10 PM
To: LABtestimony
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Patrick Bustamante
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TESTIMONY TO THE HOUSE LABOR & PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2009 8:30 A.M.
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If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony.

Respectfully yours,

Patrick Bustamante
President
Pacific LightNet
808-791-3030

yamashita2 - Kristen

From: TropicalHawaiiUSA@gmail.com
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 2:26 PM
To: LABtestimony
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Christine Olah
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TESTIMONY TO THE HOUSE LABOR & PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2009 8:30 A.M.
IN ROOM 309

RE: SB 63 RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Yamashita and members of the committee:

I respectfully request that you hold SB 63 relating to Workers' Compensation.

My name is Christine Olah, and I am a REALTOR (The Real Estate Professionals, LLC) and Member of the Hawaii Chamber of Commerce. I come into contact with many business owners who have concerns about the adverse affect of Bill SB 63.

This bill may serve as a disincentive to return to work, which will be counterproductive to its actual purpose. Furthermore, if the Director of Labor determines that the claim is not work related, or there is overpaid TTD benefits, or there is no permanent partial disability, the employers will be stuck with the costs with no recoupment.

This measure, if passed, may increase workers' compensation premiums and the overall cost of doing business, a time when the business owners are trying to control current and future expenses.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony.

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From: crobbins@cochawaii.org
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 12:21 PM
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Chris Robbins
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yamashita2 - Kristen

From: kkane@argosy.edu
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2009 2:51 PM
To: LABtestimony
Subject: Oppose SB 63

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RE: Opposing SB 63 RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Chair Rhoads, Vice Chair Yamashita and members of the committee:

My name is Kawika Kane of Kapolei and I respectfully request that you hold SB 63 relating to Workers' Compensation.

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Mahalo,

Kawika Kane
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yamashita2 - Kristen

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Mary Daws
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yamashita2 - Kristen

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Alison Misajon
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From: noelle@consumerserviceanalysis.com
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Noelle Condon
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