

# LATE TESTIMONY

## COALITION OF HAWAII ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURAL PROFESSIONALS

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**Hearing Date: Friday February 5, 9:00am., Conference Room 325  
(House Committee on Water, Land & Ocean Resources)**

Honorable Representatives Ken Ito, Chair, Sharon Har, Vice Chair, and Members of the House Committee on Water, Land & Ocean Resources

**Subject: HB 2449, Relating to County Board of Water Supply**

Honorable Chair Ito, Vice Chair Har, and Committee Members,

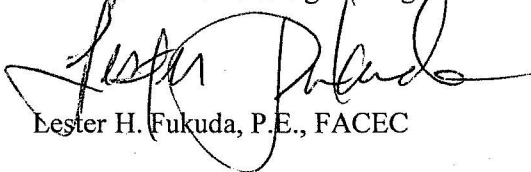
The Coalition of Hawaii Engineering & Architectural Professionals represents several professional Engineering and Architectural organizations including American Council of Engineering Companies Hawaii; American Institute of Architects; Hawaii Chapter of the American Society of Civil Engineers; American Public Works Association Hawaii Chapter; Structural Engineering Association of Hawaii; and the Hawaii Society of Professional Engineers.

**We are in support of HB 2449 Relating to County Board of Water Supply.** This bill will provide County Board of Water Supply's the ability and authority to process and make payments to Contractor's on a timely basis. The BWS Manager and Chief Engineer will now be authorized to make disbursement to Contractors without having to wait for once monthly meetings and pending disbursement action by the county auditor. This will greatly assist the agency to make prompt payments and for Contractors and design professionals.

We urge you to support this bill and appreciate this opportunity to provide input on the measure.

Sincerely,

Coalition of Hawaii Engineering & Architectural Professionals



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