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# HOUSE FINANCE COMMITEE Representative Marcus Oshiro, Chair Representative Marilyn Lee, Vice Chair

February 17, 2011 2 p.m. Room 308

# Testimony in SUPPORT on SB 1286, SD 1 Relating to the Budget

Chair Oshiro, Vice-Chair Lee and members of the House Finance Committee:

Thank you this opportunity to provide testimony in support of Senate Bill (SB) 1286, SD1, Relating to the Budget. I am Amy Asselbaye, Chief of Staff for the Office of the Governor.

SB 1286 SD1 amends the current budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 to appropriate positions and funds for various agencies in the Executive Branch. Specifically, I would like to speak about the budget for the Office of the Governor.

We are requesting an additional \$1,063,716 in general funds for the rest of this fiscal year. This would bring the total amount for the Office of the Governor for FY 2010-2011 to \$2,747,631 in general funds. This amount is less than the \$3.1 million budgeted for the Office of the Governor for FY 2009-2010.

I'd like to highlight a few items. This request includes \$345,000 for vacation payout for the prior Administration. It also includes \$52,000 for a reimbursement to the Department of Accounting and General Services for laptops and networking of our office. This amount also includes \$12,000 for out-of-state travel for the Governor, Chief of Staff, and his security detail for the National Governors Association meeting in Washington, D.C. at the end of this month.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony. I will be happy to answer any questions you may have at this time.



# OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

STATE OF HAWAI'I STATE CAPITOL

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### HOUSE FINANCE COMMITEE

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Chair Oshiro, Vice-Chair Lee and members of the House Finance Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in support of S.B. 1286, SD 1, Relating to the Budget which provides for funding and positions for fiscal year 2010-2011 for the office of the Lieutenant Governor.

This bill will provide the resources necessary to operate the office of the Lieutenant Governor for the remaining months of the fiscal year. There was a spending cap placed on our office last year and as a result, without this emergency measure, our office will run out of funding by the end of February.

We currently have seven staff including me and operated during the months of December and January with 4 or 5 staff. The Emergency Appropriation request represents a prorated amount from the proposed budget for fiscal year 2012, which includes funding for a total of 12 positions and a total operating budget of \$802,000.

This amount is \$50,000 less than the appropriation for fiscal year 2009 and \$15,000 less than the appropriation for fiscal year 2008.

I respectfully ask for your favorable consideration of this request. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Total Appropriation per		
Act 180	\$	120,509.00
Expenses	\$	(44,698.00)
Vacation Payout	\$	(15,492.96)
Past Administration		
Payroli	\$	(4,529.88)
New Administration		
Payroll		
Dec-10		(11,287.40)
Jan-10		(20,730.71)
Feb-11	***************************************	(41,787.80)
Mar-11	\$	(56,613.18)
Apr-11	\$	(56,612.80)
May-11	\$	(56,612.80)
Jun-11	\$	(56,612.80)
Jul-11	\$	(56,612.80)
Total	\$	(301,082.13)

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DEPUTY DIRECTOR



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February 17, 2011

To:

The Honorable Marcus Oshiro, Chair

and Members of the House Committee on Finance

Date:

Thursday, February 17, 2011

Time:

2:00 p.m.

Place:

Conference Room 308, State Capitol

From:

Dwight Y. Takamine, Director

Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

# Re: Testimony in Support of S.B. No. 1286 SD1 RELATING TO THE BUDGET

## I. OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee and members of the House Committee on Finance. SB 1286 SD1 amends the current budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011 to appropriate positions and funds for various agencies in the Executive Branch, including the Deputy Director's secretary position for fiscal year 2010-2011.

### II. CURRENT LAW

Act 162, session Laws of Hawaii 2009, as amended by Act 180, session Laws of Hawaii 2010 deleted the secretary position.

### III. SENATE BILL 1286 SD1

The Deputy Director's secretary will provides much needed clerical support to meet the Department's mission to "Administer programs designed to increase the economic security, physical and economic well-being, and productivity of workers, and to achieve good labor-management relations." The Director's office oversees nine (9) labor programs and seven (7) administratively attached agencies.

The department would reallocate current funding within the Director's office to provide the funds for the position. The restoration of this position will enhance the operational capacity of the department.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.



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Statement of

# RICHARD C. LIM Interim Director

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### HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Thursday, February 17, 2011 2:00 PM State Capitol, Conference Room 308

in consideration of SB 1286 SD1 RELATING TO THE BUDGET.

Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee and Members of the House Committee on Finance.

The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) strongly supports SB 1286, SD1, which seeks to restore DBEDT's Deputy Director and Private Secretary positions. The Deputy and Secretary positions are essential to providing executive policy direction to the department on internal policy matters as delegated by the Director. These internal tasks, essential to the efficient operation of the department, need to be managed on a full time basis.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer these comments.