SB 1081

TESTIMONY BY KALBERT K. YOUNG DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE STATE OF HAWAII TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS ON SENATE BILL NOS. 1081 and 1082, S.D. 1

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MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR SALARY INCREASES FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

Senate Bill Nos. 1081 and 1082, S.D. 1, provide appropriations for Fiscal Years 2011-12 and 2012-13 for salary increases for public employees negotiated in collective bargaining agreements.

We oppose these bills. The State is not in a position to fund general salary increases for public employees at this time. The titles of these bills are too restrictive to serve as vehicle bills for cost items other than salaries. Other more appropriate vehicle bills are available to fund collective bargaining cost items should those be negotiated.



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The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO strongly supports S.B.1081, S.D. 1, which provides a vehicle to implement pending collective bargaining agreements.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the above legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

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