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TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 2167 S.D.1
RELATING TO PROFESSIONS AND VOCATIONS

TO THE HONORABLE ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, CHAIR,
AND TO THE HONORABLE ISAAC W. CHOY, VICE CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The Regulated Industries Complaints Office ("RICO") of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs appreciates the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 2167 S.D.1, Relating To Professions and Vocations. My name is Daria Loy-Goto, RICO's Acting Complaints and Enforcement Officer. RICO offers the following comments on the bill.

Senate Bill No. 2167 S.D.1 replaces the current definitions of "surveyor" or "land surveyor" with new definitions for "land surveying" and "professional surveyor", "professional land surveyor" or "land surveyor" in Chapter 464, Hawaii

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Revised Statutes, which governs professional engineers, architects, surveyors, and landscape architects. The bill also amends the current definition of "landscape architect" and has a defective effective date.

RICO notes that this Committee heard the House companion measure, House Bill No. 2272. The House version is substantially similar to this bill. RICO prefers the language in Senate Bill No. 2167 S.D.1, but respectfully requests that the defective effective date be amended.

Senate Bill No. 2167 S.D.1 represents the combined efforts of the Board of Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects, industry groups, and RICO to update existing definitions that would capture the full range of conduct performed by land surveyors. RICO does note the potential that any changes may impact other industries and recommends consideration of possible scope issues.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 2167 S.D.1. I will be happy to answer any questions that the members of the Committee may have.

**PRESENTATION OF THE
BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS,
SURVEYORS AND LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS**

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AND VOCATIONS.**

**TO THE HONORABLE ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:**

My name is Dan Hirota, surveyor member of the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects ("Board"). The Board appreciates the opportunity to testify in support of the intent of Senate Bill No. 2167, S.D.1, Relating to Professions and Vocations.

The purpose of Senate Bill No. 2167, S.D.1, is to clarify the definition of "landscape architect" and replaces the existing definition of "'surveyor' or 'land surveyor'" with definitions for "land surveying" and "'professional surveyor', 'professional land surveyor', or 'land surveyor'".

The Board believes the existing definition for "surveyor" or "land surveyor" is outdated and does not reflect the full scope of practice of land surveying. Amending the definition of land surveying would provide a more accurate description of the activities involved in the practice of land surveying.

The companion bill, House Bill No. 2272, H.D.1, was heard by your Committee and passed out as H.D.2. Both bills are very similar, except for technical, non-

substantive differences. The Board prefers Senate Bill No. 2167, S.D.1, if the effective date in Section 3 is amended to be upon approval of the Act.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Senate Bill No. 2167, S.D.1.