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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Committee on Finance Rep. Sylvia Luke, Chair Rep. Scott Y. Nishimoto, Vice Chair Rep. Aaron Ling Johanson, Vice Chair State Capitol, Conference Room 308 Friday, February 22, 2013; 3:00 p.m.

STATEMENT OF THE ILWU LOCAL 142 ON H.B. 1484, HD2 RELATING TO THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION

The ILWU Local 142 supports the intent of H.B. 1484, HD2, which amends the governance structure of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC), makes the regional CEO's nonvoting members, establishes the HHSC personnel system and new collective bargaining units, and delineates the HHSC Board's and regional boards' powers.

H.B. 1484, HD2 would keep HHSC intact while offering some flexibility in management of employees. As a labor union, we cannot support diminishing the collective bargaining rights or benefits of employees. However, we also understand the constraints imposed upon HHSC to be fiscally viable in order to continue to provide safety net services to the community.

Therefore, the ILWU can only support the intent of H.B. 1484, HD2 and trust that, with further dialogue, a fair resolution can be achieved that will protect employees while ensuring that HHSC facilities will continue to function.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this matter.