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HB 671 - RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY

Aloha Chair McKelvey, Vice Chair Kawakami, and members of the Committee.

My name is Leuma Leatumauga and I am testifying for Business Manager-Secretary Treasurer of the Hawaii Laborers' Union, Local 368, who was unfortunately not able to attend today. The Hawaii Laborers' Union represents over 5000 members in construction, landscaping, environmental, and other non-construction sectors.

We are in strong opposition of the intent and purpose of HB 671.

We are very concerned that this bill targets our general contractors and about the impact HB 671 will have on our general contractors. If they are negatively impacted by the bill, it will hurt our union members.

We don't understand what "problem" HB 671 tries to "fix." If there is a dispute regarding incidental and supplemental work, any contractor can appeal to the Contractor License Board, which then reviews each project individually and makes a determination. There are so many different types of construction projects. Setting a half percent amount is arbitrary and will cause disruption and confusion in the construction industry

We strongly oppose HB 671 and ask that this bill be held by your committee.

Thank you very much for this opportunity to testify.

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