SB48 Relating to Department of Education EDU/PSM



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SENATE COMMITTEES ON EDUCATION AND PUBLIC SAFETY, INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

> Wednesday, February 6, 2013 1:15 p.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 414

> > in consideration of

SB 48

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

Chairs Tokuda and Espero, Vice Chairs Kidani and Baker, and members of the Committees. The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism does not support the intent of SB 48 to eliminate a representative from the department of education from membership on the state's aerospace advisory committee (AAC).

The AAC was created through Act 52 in the 2009 Legislative Session to advise and assist the legislature and state agencies in monitoring, assessing and promoting aerospace development statewide. As several of the aerospace-related initiatives under discussion by the AAC will provide multiple opportunities for K-12 education and training in science and technology, we believe it would be beneficial for the state to maintain a representative from the department of education on this committee.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.



February 3, 2013

Members of the 27th Hawaii State Legislature Hawaii State Capitol 415 S. Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Aloha Members of the Hawaii State Legislature,

As the Chairman of the Hawai'i Aerospace Advisory Committee, I am writing to express my strong concern regarding SB48, which would eliminate Department of Education representation on the Hawai'i Aerospace Advisory Committee.

While the Committee understands the DoE's desire to minimize its obligations to the greater Hawai'i community (and thereby focus its efforts on programs of greatest importance to the department), we also believe it is most important for the DoE to maintain representation on the HAAC.

Many of the aerospace opportunities that have been brought to the attention of our Committee present multiple education and training opportunities for K-12 students statewide. Furthermore, it is critical that the DoE be able to provide input to educational programs under review by the Committee that can foster the home-grown, high skilled, and highly compensated work force we are seeking to develop.

As such, I strongly urge your committee defer the adoption of SB48.

'O wau me ka ha'aha'a,

Elliot Holokauahi Pulham Chairman

SENT VIA EMAIL

February 4, 2013



Senator Jill N. Tokuda Chair, Committee on Education Senator Will Espero Chair, Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs Hearing on Senate Bill 48 - Relating to the Department of Education State Capitol, Conference Room 414

Aloha Chairs Tokuda and Espero!

Aerospace is an emerging industry within the State of Hawaii. It is therefore key that coordinated efforts continue to strengthen within the education pipeline to support the future workforce needs in aerospace.

Section 1. - Section 201-72.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes of this proposed Senate Bill 48 is calling for the removal of representation from the department of education on the Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee (HAAC). Removing a valuable contributor to the HAAC from the department of education is contrary to one of the purposes of the HAAC

..."Recommending innovative scientific, educational, and economic strategies and government and education policies to promote the growth and diversification of the aerospace industry in this state."...

Rather than eliminate representation from the department of education, please consider, adding an either or component. Such as under Section 1 Subsection Paragraph (5):

... "Four members shall represent, the University of Hawaii at Manoa, University of Hawaii at Hilo, University of Hawaii Community College System and either the Department of Education, or a Charter or a Private School, respectively, to be appointed...

Chairs and committee members, we ask for your consideration of the aforementioned.

Please feel free to contact me directly should you have any questions.

Sincerely, Mark McGuffie

Managing Director Enterprise Honolulu, Oahu Economic Development Board and Board Member of the Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee



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February 1, 2013

TESTIMONY OPPOSING SB48 - RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Dear Members of the 27th State Legislature,

I do not support the intent of this bill, which eliminates a representative from the department of education from membership on Hawaii's Aerospace Advisory Committee.

The Aerospace Advisory Committee was created through Act 52 in the 2009 Legislative Session to advise and assist the legislature and state agencies in monitoring, assessing and promoting aerospace development statewide. As several of the aerospacerelated initiatives under discussion by the AAC will provide multiple opportunities for K-12 education and training in science and technology, I strongly believe it would be beneficial for the state to maintain a representative from the department of education on this committee.

I would be happy to address any questions you may have concerning this recommendation and thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

I can be reached by e-mail at kyahiku@wik.com, by phone at (808) 544-6765 or by fax at (808) 544-8398.

Aloha,

Jung Harny ah George R. Ariyoshi

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February 3, 2013

Members of the 27th State Legislature Hawaii State Capitol 415 S. Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: **SB48**. Removes a representative from the Department of Education from membership on the Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee.

I am writing to express my concern regarding this measure.

Although I appreciate fully the Department of Education's interest in focusing its activities on programs of greatest importance to K-12 education in the State, I also know that certain of the aerospace initiatives we are discussing in the context of our Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee will provide multiple opportunities for STEM-related education and training programs for elementary, intermediate and high school students.

In addition, I believe it is important to provide an opportunity for the DoE to provide input to educational programs being explored through our Committee – especially initiatives with strong potential for providing professional, high-paying jobs in technology-related industries.

As such, I am opposed to this measure and would urge your Legislature to table its adoption.

Sincerely,

Stephen Day

Stephen M. D. Day Member, Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee

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February 4, 2013

TESTIMONY OPPOSING SENATE BILL 48 - RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Dear Members of the 27th Hawaii State Legislature,

I am writing in opposition to this bill, the intent of which is to eliminate representation by the state department of education on the Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee.

The Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee was established by state law to advise the Governor and the legislature on matters regarding the industry in the state of Hawaii. Many of the programs and initiatives discussed by the committee are directly related to education and provide opportunities for our students in science and technology. As a Hawaii resident and member of the Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee I believe very strongly that the department of education should maintain a presence on the committee.

Please do not hesitate to contact me directly if you have further questions about my testimony. I can be reached via email at <u>losborn@dreamhammer.com</u> or by phone at (808) 554-4684.

Best regards and aloha,

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Lawrence E. Osborn

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<u>SB48</u>

Submitted on: 1/30/2013 Testimony for EDU/PSM on Feb 6, 2013 13:15PM in Conference Room 414

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Javier Mendez-Alvarez	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Thorne Abbott	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: Educating keiki and youth on coastal issues in a state surrounded by water is of paramount importance, since they will be addressing many coastal issues in their future (sea level rise, adaptation, coastal hazards to name a few). Therefore, the DOE should play a (more) active role, rather than less, in outreach, coastal education and information dissemination. On balance, the DOE should play a less active role in policy formation and development.

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