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Statement of

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Tuesday, April 2, 2013 2:00 p.m. State Capitol, Conference Room 308

in consideration of

SB 697

RELATING TO AEROSPACE.

Chair Luke, Vice Chairs Nishimoto and Johanson, and Members of the Committee.

The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism supports the intent of SB697 to extend the terms of service for members of the Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee from two to four years. This will both enhance the continuity of discourse among Committee members as well as reduce the administrative efforts required to maintain appropriate representation on this body.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.

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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB697 (RELATING TO AEROSPACE)

Dear Members of the 27th State Legislature,

I strongly support the intent of this bill to extend the terms of service for members of the Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee from two to four years. I believe this will better enable the Committee members to establish stronger working relationships in support of Hawaii's aerospace initiatives, reduce the amount of time invested by the State Administration and Legislature in maintaining appropriate representation on the Committee, and more closely comport with the standard terms of office established for most gubernatorially-appointed boards and commissions.

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.

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Aloha,

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