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## TESTIMONY ON SB936 SD2 RELATING TO THE HOSPITAL SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM

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My name is Dayton M. Nakanelua and I am the State Director of the United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO (UPW). The UPW is the exclusive representative for approximately 14,000 public employees, which include blue collar, non-supervisory employees in Bargaining Unit 1 and institutional, health and correctional employees in Bargaining Unit 10, in the State of Hawaii and various counties. The UPW also represents about 1,500 members of the private sector.

The UPW supports SB936 SD2 that amends Act 217, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, to continue the Hospital Sustainability Program by extending the sunset date of the Act; updates the referral dates in the statute; and revises the funding amount for the hospital sustainability program for fiscal year 2013-2014.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.