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HB 462 – Relating to the State Librarian's Salary

The Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) supports the content and purpose of HB 462 to adjust the salary cap of the State Librarian. We understand that by raising the salary cap the pool of potential applicants for the position of State Librarian may significantly increase, providing the widest range of qualified applicants for the Board of Education to select from.

This additional increase in salary would require a separate budget request since we have no additional available funds in our current budget.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on HB 462 and your continued support of the Hawaii State Public Library System.



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Testimony of Don G. Horner, Chairperson

Testimony in SUPPORT of HB 462, Relating to the State Librarian's Salary

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony. The Board of Education SUPPORTS HB 462.

The current salary cap, for the State Librarian has not seen an adjustment for fourteen years, if adjusted for meeting the cost of living the present value would be \$164,000. The current salary is well below national norms.

The proposed increase of the salary cap from \$150,000 to \$200,000 is based upon a comprehensive review of similar positions and responsibilities in other States.

Any future salary adjustments would be dependent on a rigorous performance evaluation.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of HB 462.