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TESTIMONY BY WESLEY K. MACHIDA DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE STATE OF HAWAII TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS ON SENATE BILL NO. 1076, S.D. 1

February 27, 2015

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

This measure is a vehicle bill to appropriate and authorize funds for collective bargaining cost items for salary adjustments and other cost adjustments for public employees represented by the Hawaii Government Employees' Association belonging to Bargaining Unit 14 (State law enforcement officers) and their excluded counterparts for Fiscal Biennium 2015-17.

The Department of Budget and Finance supports moving this administration proposal, or a similar one, as negotiations are currently in progress and a vehicle bill will be necessary should an agreement be reached or arbitration award issued prior to the end of the legislative session.

<u>SB1076</u>

Submitted on: 2/26/2015 Testimony for WAM on Feb 27, 2015 09:00AM in Conference Room 211

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Elena Cabatu	East Hawaii Region of Hawaii Health Systems Corporation	Support	Yes

Comments: Dan Brinkman, Interim CEO of East Hawaii Region of HHSC, and Money Atwal, CFO/CIO of the East Hawaii Region of HHSC will attend the hearing.

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February 25, 2015

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS For Hearing on Friday, February 27, 2015 9:00 a.m., Conference Room 211

By

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Senate Bill Nos. 1076 S.D.1; 1077 S.D.1; 1078 S.D.1; 1079 S.D.1; 1080 S.D.1; 1081 S.D.1; 1082 S.D.1; 1083 S.D.1; and 1084 S.D.1 Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items

(WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY)

CHAIRPERSON TOKUDA, VICE CHAIR KOUCHI AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS:

These bills provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective

bargaining cost items for bargaining units (14), (2), (3), (4), (5), (10), (11), (8) and (9)

and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated

between the State and the respective bargaining unit representatives for fiscal biennium

2015 – 2017.

The Office of Collective Bargaining (OCB) is **IN SUPPORT** of these bills.

OCB is in favor of these bills continuing to proceed through the legislative

process to ensure adequate funding of negotiated cost items.