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Dear Honorable Senator Rosalyn H. Baker and Senator Michelle N. Kidani Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health Hawaii State Capitol

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Please feel free to contact me to discuss your concerns or questions. I am available at <u>llam@diabetes.org</u> or 808.947.5979.

Sincerely,

Leslie Lam

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Mahalo for your time!

Thank you,

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Here are a few photos of the children and families whose lives will be impacted by this bill:

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Comments: Dear Honorable Senator Rosalyn H. Baker and Senator Michelle N. Kidani Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health Hawaii State Capitol I am a pediatrician at the Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center and a faculty member at the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine. I am writing in support of SB2975 which clarifies the accommodations available to protect and keep our keiki with diabetes medically safe at school; allowing DOE employees to volunteer to administer or assist a student with blood glucose monitoring. Further, many school employees are being told they are unable to volunteer due to liability concerns. This position appears to stem from a perception that certain activities that are normally associated with routine assistance to students with diabetes are not covered by Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) §302A-1164. While the language of that statute was never intended to be construed so strictly, SB2975 seeks to eliminate any such ambiguity by amending the statutory language to specially include those actions. Doing so will ensure that volunteers who provide diabetes care or assistance will be fully protected from liability under HRS §302A-1164(h). If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to email me. Mahalo for your time!

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