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- TO: Jill Tokuda, Chair Senate Committee on Ways and Means
- **FROM:** Lauren Moriguchi, Director
- SUBJECT: SCR 135 Hearing Date: Tuesday, April 5, 2016 Time: 1:00 p.m. Location: Conference Room 211

**Purpose of Resolution:** REQUESTING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON EARLY LEARNING TO COLLABORATE WITH THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING TO ENCOURAGE CARE PROVIDERS OF KEIKI AND KUPUNA TO CREATE INTERGENERATIONAL SHARED SITES FOR THE BETTERMENT OF HAWAII'S COMMUNITIES.

**EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON EARLY LEARNING'S POSITION:** The Executive Office on Early Learning (EOEL) recognizes the intent of SCR 135 to create shared sites where both keiki and kupuna can benefit from the formation of intergenerational relationships and provides the following comments for consideration.

While EOEL acknowledges that the formation of these intergenerational sites could provide increased access to early childhood programs for our youngest of learners, EOEL is currently comprised of one staff member, the Executive Director. Given limited staff and time, EOEL will do our best to partner with the Executive Office on Aging to encourage care providers of keiki and kupuna to create intergenerational sites for the betterment of our communities.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this measure.