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| David Bruce  | Global Virtual Studio | Comments Only      | No                    |

Comments: Aloha, I would like to share support of this bill as it has had a significant impact on both myself and my wife's ability to grow our businesses here on Hawaii Island. The positive impact on the community has been significant as well. Thank you for strongly considering this bill and the many jobs its supports and has created. We are that the cusp of a lasting breakthrough in the FILM and TV industry and need this bill to be passed to to complete the cycle of growth needed to get us over the tipping point to become a thriving self sustaining industry that is poised to become a major player in the ever growing content creation business. Mahalo, David Bruce

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| Lauren Primiano | Reef Capital Ventures | Oppose                    | No                    |

Comments: I do not supporting the merging of HTDC and HSDC. The entities have distinct roles in supporting Hawaii's innovation ecosystem. HTDC focuses on supporting companies with physical facilities and support programs. HSDC, through the HI Growth Initiative, focuses on attracting private sector investors to invest in Hawaii. These programs have been successful and impactful. Providing a consistent level of funding to continue these successful efforts is the most important action the Legislature can take to support the innovation sector.

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| Nicole Nietz | Individual   | Oppose                    | No                    |

Comments: I urge you to oppose this bill to merge the HSDC with the HTDC as each entity has a unique role, their own specific goals and focuses within Hawaii's innovation sector. HTDC focuses on supporting companies with physical facilities and support programs. HSDC focuses on attracting private sector investors to invest in Hawaii. As someone who has very gratefully partnered with both agencies and experienced the uniqueness in their DNA so-to-speak, I feel that merging the two would render them both less effective. Both agencies should be resourced well and supported in their unique roles. Mahalo!

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