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TESTIMONY BY DEREK MIZUNO ADMINISTRATOR, HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE STATE OF HAWAII TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR ON SENATE BILL NO. 934

February 27, 2017 9:30 a.m. Room 016

RELATING TO THE STATE AND COUNTY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFTIS TRUST FUND

Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair Rhoads, and Members of the Committee:

The EUTF Board of Trustees strongly supports this Administration bill. This bill

makes housekeeping amendments to Sections 87A-34(a) and 87A-36(c)(4), Hawaii

Revised Statutes (HRS). Act 36, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012 amended the definition

of "employee" in section 87A-1, HRS by removing "(B) A per diem employee", which

resulted in the redesignation of the subparagraphs that followed. However the

reference to paragraph (1)(E) was not updated to (1)(D) in sections 87A-34(a) and 87A-

36(c)(4), HRS. The definition of "Employee" in 87A-1, HRS states the following:

- (1)(D) "A retired member of the employees' retirement system; the county pension system; or the police, firefighters, or bandsmen pension system of the State or county;
- (1)(E) A salaried and full-time member of a board, commission, or agency

appointed by the governor or the mayor of a county; and ... "

EUTF's Mission: We care for the health and well being of our beneficiaries by striving to provide quality benefit plans that are affordable, reliable, and meet their changing needs. We provide informed service that is excellent, courteous, and compassionate.

Sections 87A-34(a) and 87A-36(c)(4), HRS are referring to retirees as noted in the section titles – 87A-34, HRS "State and county contributions; retired employees with fewer than ten years of service" and 87A-36, HRS "State and county contributions; employees hired after June 30, 2001, and retired".

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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