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Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism before the

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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in consideration of **SB 901** RELATING TO THE AEROSPACE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Chair Nishimoto, Vice Chair San Buenaventura, and Members of the Committee.

The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) strongly supports this bill to eliminate the requirement for the Governor to appoint ex-officio members of the Hawaii Aerospace Advisory Committee.

We believe the selection and appointment of the ex-officio committee members representing the Hawaii Economic Development Boards and the University of Hawaii should be selected and appointed by the heads of the institutions they represent. This would both simplify and expedite the Committee appointment process.

DBEDT is grateful to the House Committee on Judiciary for hearing this bill and strongly urges to pass this measure.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.