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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ann S Freed	Testifying for Hawaii Women's Coalition	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chair Ruderman, Vice Chair Rhoads and members,

The Coalition is in strong support of robust funding for the Hawaii State Commission on the Status of Women. We are partners in fostering policies that will better the lives of women and girls in our state.

Mahalo,

Ann S. Freed,

Co-Chair Hawaii Women's Coalition



<u>HB-1355-HD-2</u> Submitted on: 3/10/2019 8:19:24 PM Testimony for HMS on 3/11/2019 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mary Smart	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

I oppose this bill. I believe the need for this Commision has expired. Why don't we have a Commission on the Status of Men? It is sexist to have a commission for one sex and not another? It is not right to discriminate regarding to the sexes. We don't need these Commissions (a Commission on the Status of Women or a Commission on the Status of Men) and the taxpayers don't want to fund them. Furthermore, the Commission on the Status of Women only represents "Progressive" Women as related to me by their senior leadership and their participating members. Their mission is supportive of a small segment of our population. This means that the general public are supporting a group that is only representative of Democrat women leaving the independents, Conservatives, Constitutionalists and Republican women unrepresented. That is a poor use, and probably unconstitutional use, of our taxes. Most of the women I know oppose the legislative package proposed by the Women's Caucus. Disband that organization and save time and money. The Democrats have enough groups and don't need the rest of the population funding yet another disfunctional organization. Vote NO on HB1355 HD2.



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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Amy Monk	Individual	Support	No

Comments: