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In consideration of HB2658 HD1, RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

Chair Aquino, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and the members of the committee.

The Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD) supports HB2658 HD1.

The purpose of the bill is to repeal the requirement that the director of human resources development must submit a report to the legislature before reclassifying and abolishing vacant positions within state departments and agencies that are under the jurisdiction of DHRD.

There is a measure moving forward in both the House and Senate which would require an annual report on vacancies that requests more detailed information than the original report required in Chapter 26-5, HRS. As such, DHRD supports repealing the original report requirement.

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