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Cards Pintor	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I support this bill.

Mahalo nui,

Cards Pintor

HB-1409-SD-1 Submitted on: 3/29/2023 3:45:50 PM Testimony for WAM on 3/31/2023 9:45:00 AM

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Patricia Bilyk	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

TO: Senator Delà Cruz, Chair, Senator Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair and Members of the Ways and Means Committee

FROM: Patricia Bilyk, RN, MPH, MSN, IBCLC (Ret)

RE: SUPPORT HB 1409 HD2 SD1 Relating to Employee Benefits for Employee with an NICU Infant

DATE: Friday March 31, 2023 9:45 am

Good Morning Senators, I am Patricia Bilyk a RN that has worked for over 30 years with NICU infants and their mothers at both Kapiolani Medical Center and Kaiser Medical Center. The needs of these postpartum women with NICU infants are great and require more time to recover than the standard postpartum insurance coverage allows.

I stand in support of this legislation providing up to 8 weeks insurance benefits for this population and 12 weeks of unpaid job protection. it is a start with the hope that a more extensive Paid Family Leave Insurance Program can be afforded them in the future!

i encourage you pass this Bill out of Committee affirmatively.

Thank you for allowing to provide my yrstimony.