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In consideration of HB564 RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

Chair Matayoshi, Vice Chair Garrett, and the members of the committee.

The Department of Human Resources Development (DHRD) is in **strong support** of HB564.

The purpose of HB564 is to appropriate moneys to the Department of Human Resources Development to establish 2.0 full-time equivalent information technology specialist positions and to upgrade information technology systems, including network upgrades; purchase and installation of desktop computers, workstations, and laptops; and training for personnel.

DHRD understands the importance of modernizing the department's information technology systems, so that we can support current functions and future improvements.

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