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SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MENAS  
The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair  
The Honorable Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

**H.B. NO. 2655, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR PUBLIC  
EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS.**

Hearing: Wednesday, April 3, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

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The Office of the Auditor **supports** H.B. No. 2655, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, which is intended to appropriate funds to certain legislative agencies, including the Office of the Auditor, to fund Hawai'i employer-union health benefits trust fund costs and other cost adjustments authorized by Chapter 89C, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, for employees of the Legislative Branch excluded from collective bargaining.

We support providing our staff, none of whom are members of collective bargaining units, the same benefits, including salary adjustments, as those employees included in collective bargaining.

Thank you for considering our testimony related to H.B. No. 2655, H.D. 1, S.D. 1.