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Comments:

Strong support!

Thank you.



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Statement of
MIKE MCCARTNEY
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Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism
before the
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Wednesday, April 3, 2019
2:30 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 308

In consideration of
SB1348, SD1, HD1
RELATING TO THE SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY REVIEW BOARD.

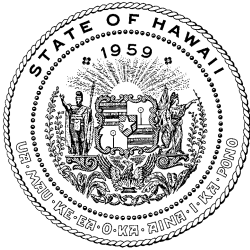
Chair Luke, Vice Chair Cullen and members of the Committee.

The Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism (DBEDT) respectfully defers to the Small Business Regulatory Review Board as to the proposed changes of SB1348, SD1, HD1, which clarifies the intent of the Small Business Regulatory Review Board's powers when reviewing state and county administrative rules and ordinances that impact small business.

Overall, it is important that the Small Business Regulatory Review Board's purview is clearly understood by the small business community, state and county agencies, Hawaii business chambers, and trade industries to avoid any misinterpretations.

DBEDT supports the appropriation provided that it is in line with the administration's executive budget request.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.



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MEMORANDUM

Michael McCartney
DBEDT Director

TO: Chair Luke, Vice Chair Cullen and Members of the House
Committee on Finance

Members

Anthony Borge
Chairperson
O'ahu

FROM: Anthony Borge, Chairperson
Small Business Regulatory Review Board

Anthony Borge

Robert Cundiff
Vice Chairperson
O'ahu

DATE: April 3, 2019 – Room 308 at 2:30 p.m.

Garth Yamanaka
2nd Vice Chairperson
Hawai'i

SUBJECT: Senate Bill 1348 SD1 HD1, Relating to the Small Business
Regulatory Review Board – Support with Recommendations

Harris Nakamoto
O'ahu

On behalf of the Small Business Regulatory Review Board (SBRRB), I am providing both support and recommendations on Senate Bill 1348, SD1 HD1, Relating to the Small Business Regulatory Review Board. This measure clarifies the intent of the SBRRB's powers when reviewing state and county administrative rules and ordinances that impact small business and appropriates funds to be expended by DBEDT.

Nancy Atmospera-Walch
O'ahu

Mary Albitz
Maui

William Lydgate
Kaua'i

Please be advised that SBRRB prefers Senate Bill 1348 which provides that "for requests regarding county rules, the board may make recommendations to the county council or the mayor for appropriate action." By deleting "ordinances," it will clarify the statute and verify the Board's Legislative intended purview. In addition, if "ordinances" was kept in the statute, it will potentially require a substantial workload and a heightened time constraint which the SBRRB is currently not equipped to cover given its present staffing.

Director, DBEDT
Voting Ex Officio

Regarding the proposed appropriations, annual expenses for travel alone approximate \$15,000 for four neighbor island board members, and to finalize the current revamping of the SBRRB's website, an additional \$12,000+ is required, in addition to monthly service charges.

Thus, without a sizeable budget, the SBRRB volunteers have been challenged to provide sufficient outreach to the small business community to provide a valuable, needed service to promote and defend the continued regulatory growth of small businesses in Hawaii.

While I am proud of the accomplishments of this very hardworking and dedicated group of volunteers, the SBRRB has had a moderate level of success reducing expensive impacts on small business, which would greatly improve with sufficient funds for marketing and outreach to the small business community.

Thank you for hearing the SBRRB's testimony on Senate Bill 1348 SD1 HD1.



Chamber of Commerce HAWAII

The Voice of Business

**Testimony to the House Committee on Finance
Wednesday, April 3, 2019 at 2:30 P.M.
Conference Room 308, State Capitol**

RE: SB 1348 SD1 HD1, RELATING TO THE SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY REVIEW BOARD

Chair Luke, Vice Chair Cullen, and Members of the Committee:

The Chamber of Commerce Hawaii (“The Chamber”) **supports** SB 1348 SD1, HD1 which clarifies the intent of the Small Business Regulatory Review Board's powers when reviewing state and county administrative rules that impact small business.

The Chamber is Hawaii’s leading statewide business advocacy organization, representing about 2,000+ businesses. Approximately 80% of our members are small businesses with less than 20 employees. As the “Voice of Business” in Hawaii, the organization works on behalf of members and the entire business community to improve the state’s economic climate and to foster positive action on issues of common concern.

State and County rules should implement the purpose and intent established in the corresponding statutes or ordinances. The Small Business Regulatory Review Board plays an important role to insure the proposed rules comply with the statutes/ordinances. The Board also assess the proposed rules and their impacts to small businesses to ensure that the rules do not create unnecessary burden for small businesses in the State.

We support SB 1348 SD1 HD1 and appreciate the opportunity to express our views on this matter.



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CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
VOICE OF BUSINESS

**HEARING BEFORE THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
HAWAII STATE CAPITOL, HOUSE CONFERENCE ROOM 308
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 2019 AT 2:30 P.M.**

To The Honorable Sylvia Luke, Chair;
The Honorable Ty J.K. Cullen, Vice Chair; and
Members of the Committee on Finance;

**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 1348 RELATING TO
THE SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY REVIEW BOARD**

Aloha, my name is Pamela Tumpap and I am the President of the Maui Chamber of Commerce, with approximately 650 members. We appreciate the opportunity to support SB 1348.

The Small Business Regulatory Review Board is extremely important to protect small businesses in our state and we support the expansion of their authority.

As many proposed, amended, and adopted rules by state agencies create significant impacts on small businesses, we support this bill that would allow the Small Business Regulatory Review Board to now review proposed and amended rules as well. This change will be very beneficial as the Small Business Regulatory Review Board could review a proposed change to determine its effects on small businesses before it is passed, which provides the opportunity for additional testimony on the proposed rule and better protects small businesses.

Mahalo for your consideration of our testimony and we ask that this bill be passed.

Sincerely,

Pamela Tumpap
President

To advance and promote a healthy economic environment for business, advocating for a responsive government and quality education, while preserving Maui's unique community characteristics.