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**Testimony in SUPPORT of SB1155
RELATING TO HEALTH.**

SENATOR JARRETT KEOHOKALOOLE, CHAIR
SENATE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Hearing Date: February 10, 2021 Room Number: N/A

1 **Department Testimony:** The Department of Health (DOH) strongly supports this measure, the
2 purpose of which is to authorize non-religiously affiliated entities to officiate marriage and civil
3 union ceremonies. This bill acknowledges the diversity of perspectives in our community
4 without diminishing the customs and rights of other traditions.

5 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

6 **Offered Amendments:** N/A.

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Submitted on: 2/7/2021 9:28:31 PM

Testimony for HTH on 2/10/2021 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michael Golojuch Jr	Testifying for LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Seantors,

The LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, Hawaii's oldest and largest policy and political LGBTQIA+ focused organization, fully supports Senate Bill 1155.

Mahalo nui loa for your time and consideration,

Michael Golojuch, Jr.

Chair

LGBT Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i

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Submitted on: 2/8/2021 7:34:13 AM

Testimony for HTH on 2/10/2021 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mike Golojuch, Sr.	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Please pass HB285.

Mike Golojuch, Sr.

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Submitted on: 2/8/2021 6:43:20 PM

Testimony for HTH on 2/10/2021 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Justin Mark Hideaki Salisbury	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Mahalo for hearing this bill.

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Submitted on: 2/9/2021 7:33:20 AM

Testimony for HTH on 2/10/2021 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Eileen McKee	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly support the passage of SB1155.

Mahalo for considering my testimony.

Eileen McKee

Kihei, 96753

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Submitted on: 2/9/2021 10:54:27 AM

Testimony for HTH on 2/10/2021 1:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nikos Leverenz	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Chair Keohokalole, Vice-Chair Baker, & Committee Members:

This bill allows for non-sectarian persons to solemnize marriages and perform civil unions. With an increasing number of persons identifying as non-religious this bill sensibly creates non-sectarian options for marriage and civil union ceremonies.

Sincerely,

Nikos Leverenz