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From: Kathryn Rose

Subject: Testimony in VERY STRONG Support of Bill HB1936 Custody Evaluator (CE)

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Testimony in strong Support of Bill HB1936, SB2028

I am a private citizen with 25+ years of management background, a volunteer advocate for the past 8-years for the Children's Rights Council, Domestic Violence issues, SR10 Senate resolution committee participate for the SR40 & SCR52, and Kailua, resident.

I am a mother of my 13-year child who has concerns of Family Court interests, processes and reform. I feel this agency should continue it's affords and support for families units.

Seven years ago I lost custody to my abuser who currently has sole-physical custody. For the past 10-years my daughter struggles with the very same issues of power, control, anger and keeping our daughter from any activity and healthy mother daughter relationship in any way he can. He has refused to participate in court-ordered parenting counseling, court-order anger psychologist therapy, court-order gatekeeper, court-order mediation, court-order divorce degree and notification, court-order medical coverage for child, court-order access, court-order travel response, and now Helena, my 13-year old daughter is 1.7 to 3-years behind in reading, math, and other Special needs. These needs require access to CE lists and their credentials available to verify they are trained qualified custody evaluators services and other professionals to access these cases. The father has ignored any letters, phone calls, tutoring referrals, assets or other private school requests, testing unless a motion filed to get someone to hold the custodial parent accountable. I believe the courts role is to hear and make wise accountable decisions to very difficult cases and circumstances involving children's right for peace, fairness and hope. Currently my daughter has been tested, retested, seen court order psychologists 6 yrs, Guardian Ad Litem (2002-2003), Gatekeepers (2003-2009) and now Custody Evaluators (2009-2010) for the 2<sup>nd</sup> time. , and her voice still goes on heard. I believe we as parents must assure these issues and voices are addressed through task forces bills like this one. Uniting and empowering unity between agencies with common and or like-common problems is the best way to address change.

Any bill or process which is in the best interest of the family unit and child should be considered in divorce, custody and or separation proceedings.

Please accept my written testimony to STRONGLY SUPPORT the bill HB1936, SB2028

Sincerely Yours,

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