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Chair Sakamoto, Vice Chair Hooser, and Members of the 
Committee: 

The University of Hawai'i supports S.B. 1392 and will be 
happy to participate if the proposed task force is created. 

School administrators are key to the success of our 
education system, and we must do all we can to ensure they 
are well-prepared and well-compensated for the important 
work they do. 

We suggest that an additional charge to the task force be 
added in Section 2 (e) to read: “Review the viability and 
 advisability of establishing a licensing system outside the 
DOE for school administrators.” Today, the DOE prepares, 
certifies, and employs school administrators. This system 
creates serious conflicts of interest.