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Chair Herkes, Vice Chair Wakai, and Members of the Committee:

The community colleges are prepared to provide the education and training necessary to meet the licensing requirements contained in this bill. Not only does Honolulu community college offer an extensive set of programs to prepare individuals for employment in the construction trades, but we also have colleges on Kauai, Maui, and the Big Island who have programs that can meet the proposed requirements of the bill given sufficient lead time if a special program of study needs to be developed.