



**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES & HOUSING  
AND COMMITTEE ON HEALTH  
Thursday, February 1, 2007, 8:30 a.m.**

**TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO H.B. 1762  
DAYTON M. NAKANELUA, STATE DIRECTOR, UNITED PUBLIC WORKERS**

The United Public Workers (UPW) represents blue-collar, non-supervisory employees in Bargaining Unit 1 in the State and counties, which include repair and maintenance employees of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority (HPHA).

The UPW is strongly opposed to H.B. 1762. This bill provides HPHA the authority to contract out Bargaining Unit 1 work performed by UPW members. Any program that contracts out or privatizes work affecting bargaining unit employees should comply with collective bargaining agreements, Chapter 89 of Hawaii Revised Statutes, and other critical personnel statutes, rules and regulations. All duties and responsibilities that are customarily and historically performed by Bargaining Unit 1 employees should be done by UPW members.

Accordingly, we respectfully request that you do not pass H.B. 1762.