



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

Testimony Presented Before the
Senate Committee on Economic Development, Tourism, and Technology
Senate Committee on Water and Land
March 20, 2017 at 2:45 p.m.

By
John F. Morton
Vice President for Community Colleges
University of Hawai'i System
and
Donald O. Straney
Chancellor, University of Hawai'i at Hilo

HB 1479 HD2 Proposed SD1 – RELATING TO THE HILO COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DISTRICT

Chairs Wakai and Rhoads, Vice Chairs Taniguchi and Gabbard, and Members of the Committees:

Both the University of Hawai'i at Hilo and the University of Hawai'i Community College System are in support of the intent of HB 1479 HD2, Proposed SD1 to establish the Hilo community economic district located in East Hawai'i.

This proposal will help to improve and strengthen the economic and workforce development opportunities in East Hawai'i. University of Hawai'i at Hilo and University of Hawai'i Community College System view the proposal as a positive solution to promote the social, environmental and economic well-being of our community.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on HB 1479 HD2, Proposed SD1. Aloha.