HB 66 HD1 – RELATING TO ATHLETE AGENTS

Chair Baker, Vice Chair Chang, and members of the committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this joint testimony of the University of Hawai‘i’s athletic departments at Mānoa and at Hilo (UHADs) in support of HB 66 HD1.

In 2007, the University of Hawai‘i testified in support of the enactment of the Uniform Athlete Agents Act (UAAA) when it was being considered by the legislature. As institutions with significant collegiate athletic programs, both the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa Athletic Department and the University of Hawai‘i at Hilo Athletic Department are very concerned with the eligibility standing, and the best interests, of our student-athletes when approached by or working with athletic agents.

The UHADs respectfully request passage of HB 66 HD1 and thank you for your consideration of this joint testimony.