



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

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SCR 139 / SR 60 – REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA TO
ADOPT A BUDGET MODEL THAT ALLOCATES RESOURCES
ACCORDING TO A TRANSPARENT AND EQUITABLE
FORMULA.

Chair Kahele, Vice Chair Kidani, and Members of the Committee:

The University of Hawai'i supports the intent of SCR 139 and SR 60, requesting the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa adopt a budget model that allocates resources according to a transparent and equitable formula. The University of Hawai'i at Mānoa has undertaken extensive review of peer models and criteria and has already adopted a budget allocation model. The model is to be implemented with the start of the next fiscal year (FY17-18) with a particular focus of aligning limited revenues and funding to programs of core educational delivery or areas for strategic growth.

The new budget model will allocate a portion of net tuition dollars directly to all of our teaching units based on student semester hours taught, the number of majors and the number of degrees awarded.

As such, the University of Hawai'i believes that SCR 139 and SR 60 are not necessary and request that these measures be deferred.