



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

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SB 3070 SD1 – RELATING TO EDUCATION

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony regarding SB 3070 SD1 which establishes a Hawai'i teacher stipend program to be administered by the Department of Education to address the shortage of teachers in the Hawai'i public school system and appropriates funds for the 2018-2019 fiscal year.

The University of Hawai'i appreciates the legislature's recognition of the challenges of teacher shortages in the state, and the initiative to address the issue through a Hawai'i stipend program. The University supports the intent of SB 3070 SD1, and will work collaboratively with the Hawai'i Department of Education.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to testify on this measure.