



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

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by

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SCR 143 SD1 – REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM AND APPLIED RESEARCH LABORATORY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE SAFE, LEGAL, AND BENEFICIAL USE OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS IN HAWAII.

Chair Baker, Vice Chair Tokuda, and Members of the Committee:

University of Hawai'i is in support of SCR 143 SD1.

The requested collaboration between the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism and the Applied Research Laboratory at the University of Hawai'i brings to bear a wide range of disciplines, businesses, agencies – as well as direct links to timely national-level UAS policy developments, that can provide the Legislature with a well-considered and well-balanced view on value, promotion and control of this emergent technology.

The University of Hawai'i is pleased to offer its continuing support to the Legislature and to the State of Hawai'i.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.