



# UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

## Legislative Testimony

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SCR 159 – REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO CONVENE A COMPUTER SCIENCE TASK FORCE TO REVIEW COMPUTER SCIENCE PROGRAMS IN HAWAII'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND TO SUPPORT, STRENGTHEN, AND ESTABLISH PARTNERSHIPS AMONG EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, INDUSTRIES, AND BUSINESSES TO IMPROVE COMPUTER SCIENCE PROGRAMS.

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

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments on SCR 159 that recognizes the importance of computer science education and identifies computer related jobs as a fast-growing field of employment.

The University is supportive of strengthening computer science readiness among Hawai'i's students, and we are very willing to collaborate with the Department of Education in their efforts to promote computer science education.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide these comments.