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Chair Takamine and Members of the Committee:

The University appreciates and supports the intent of HB 3029, HD1. We recognize the
significance of the contribution made by these members of the Hawai‘i National Guard
community and the importance of their service to the safety of our citizens.

The University currently affords all active duty military personnel and their authorized
dependents the privilege of paying resident tuition. While we support the intent of HB
3029, HD1, it is unclear how much such reduction in tuition for Hawai‘i National Guard
non-residents and their dependents would cost and how it could be accommodated. The
University of Hawai‘i, therefore, respectfully requests legislative appropriation of the
required funds, as long as these funds do not adversely affect the University’s
supplemental budget priorities.

Thank you for the opportunity to express our concerns on HB 3029, HD1. We thank the
legislators for your interest in higher education for all citizens and support of our
students.