SB2835 – MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair Shimabukuro, and Members of the Committee on Judiciary and Labor:

Thank you for this opportunity to testify. The University of Hawai‘i (UH) supports SB2835, Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items. This measure appropriates funds for collective bargaining cost items for Unit (8) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015-2017.

Please be advised tenets of the arbitration award include payments during the current fiscal year, therefore this measure and the associated appropriation should be effectuate as soon as procedurally possible.

Thank you for your time and consideration.