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SB 1419 – RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII

Chair Kim, Vice Chair Kidani, and members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony today. The University of Hawai'i (UH) has **comments** regarding SB 1419, Relating to the University of Hawaii. This bill requires the UH to include all long-term leases the University enters into with the intent to purchase as part of its capital improvement projects budget request.

While UH does not have any objections to this requirement, I would note that this bill appears driven by the University's and UH Foundation's Atherton project, which may include the University purchasing the property in the future. However, that is not certain, nor is it University-owned property, nor does it use legislatively appropriated funds.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.