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HB 1747 RELATING TO UNIVERSITY PROJECTS AND PURPOSES

Chair Takai and Members of the Committee:

The purpose of this bill is to grant additional flexibility to the Board of Regents in financing and administering capital projects within the jurisdiction of the University. We believe passage of this bill will permit the University to become more responsive in attending to capital projects benefiting the students, faculty, and staff of the University community.

Given the operating efficiencies that will be realized, the University strongly supports this bill, as it would allow the University of Hawaii to assume greater authority and responsibility over capital projects financed with revenue bonds.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.