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The University of Hawaii supports HB 1896 provided that it does not replace or adversely impact the priorities in our Executive Biennium Budget. This measure makes an appropriation to improve safety and security measures on the University of Hawaii campuses system-wide.

Security has been of increasing concern to the University of Hawaii. The University Of Hawaii Council Of Chancellors has discussed security issues and are working on improving security on each of their campuses. Campuses like Manoa are employing student patrols to provide escorts for students and they also help maximize the effectiveness of the security force. Manoa is also installing alarm systems in response to recent burglaries and has just formed a committee, including student representation, to examine campus security. UH Hilo is upgrading its call box system and adding lighting to potential problem areas.

The support included in this bill would add to the efforts of each of our campuses. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.