

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I SYSTEM

TESTIMONY

HB 296, Relating to Tuition Assistance

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Chair Ito and Members of the Committee:

The purpose of this bill is to appropriate out of the State's general revenues the sum of \$1,000,000 in fiscal year 2006-2007 for provision of tuition assistance to members of the Hawai'i National Guard who are undergraduate students working toward degrees on any campus of the University of Hawai'i system.

The University supports the intent of this bill provided that its passage does not replace or adversely impact priorities as indicated in our Board of Regent approved Executive Supplemental Budget. Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.