



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

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HB 777 – RELATING TO THE HAWAII EDUCATOR LOAN PROGRAM

Chair Chang, Vice Chair Bertram, and Members of the Committees:

The purpose of HB 777, Relating to the Hawaii Educator Loan Program, is to appropriate funds for student loans under the Hawaii educator loan program special fund.

The University of Hawai'i appreciates the intent of the Legislature to provide financial support to students who complete a state-approved teacher education program and who agree to teach in the Hawaii public school system. The University supports the intent of this bill, as long as it does not replace or adversely impact the University's Board of Regents approved Biennium Budget request.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.