

## **UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I SYSTEM**

Legislative Testimony

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by

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Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify today. Unfortunately, the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa can only support the intent of the bill at this time because of our pressing priorities, such as our tremendous need for repairs and maintenance and health and safety issues, which are critical to our ability to perform our core mission for the State of Hawai'i. We recognize you have many priorities and issues to weigh for the state. We are proud of the work of the Hawai'i Energy Policy Forum of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, and thank you for your support.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify, we appreciate all interest in the University, and want to emphasize that we will be able to perform better in all arenas and best serve the state with support of the current campus priorities approved by the Board of Regents.