



# UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

## Legislative Testimony

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by

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### **HB 2521, HD 2 - Relating to Education**

Chair Sakamoto, Vice Chair Tokuda and Members of the Committee:

The University of Hawai'i supports HB 2521, HD2, that would create a University of Hawai'i repair and maintenance special account.

This dedicated account for the repair and maintenance of our ten campus system would go a long way in addressing our \$257 million backlog of deferred maintenance. Knowing we will have a definite stream of revenues for repair and maintenance will allow us to be proactive in our planning and more efficient in implementing our repair and maintenance programs. And by providing the University the discretion to identify the projects will allow the chancellors to have the flexibility for their respective campuses.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify and for your support of the University of Hawai'i.