HB 0039 HD2 – RELATING TO STATE REVENUES

Chair Kim, Vice Chair Tsutsui and Members of the Committee:

HB 0039 HD2 adds a $5 surcharge to the fee charged by a state agency for certain services. In our reading of the current wording of this bill, it is not clear to us whether parking charges to non-students are intended to be included in fees upon which the surcharge would be applied, as a “permit”. If so, it will be problematic to isolate non-student fees because parking permits are sold by zones in which both students and non-students are allowed to park. In addition, some permits and charges may be for daily, hourly, semester, or annual periods so it is unclear how the $5 surcharge would be computed. In any case, determining, calculating, collecting, accumulating and remitting such a surcharge would create an administrative burden and require new processes to be implemented, the cost of which may be out of proportion to the potential additional revenue generated.

Accordingly, the University wishes to express its concern regarding this issue and requests the Committee clarify the intent of HB 0039 HD2 in this regard.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.