



# UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

## Legislative Testimony

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HB 674 HD1 Relating to Hawaiian Affairs

Aloha Chair Hee and Vice Chair Tokuda, and members of the Committee. We thank you for the opportunity to provide written testimony on House Bill 674, HD1 relating to Hawaiian Affairs. The University of Hawaii supports the intent of House Bill 674, HD1 and welcomes the continued dialogue with our community partners relating to the financial support for initiatives impacting the University of Hawai'i.

The initiatives impacted by this measure are the Aha Ho'ona'auo 'Oiwī (Center for Native Hawaiian and Indigenous Education) supported by the College of Education, and a research and training program for native Hawaiian students at the Hawai'i Institute of Marine Biology, both at the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa. The third is the Achieving the Dream Initiative for Native Hawaiian students at the Hawaii Community College. We do respect these programs and appreciate their positive impact

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