

## UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

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## HB158 HD2 - RELATING TO TUITION ASSISTANCE

Chair Luke, Vice Chairs Nishimoto and Johanson, and Members of the Committee:

I am testifying on behalf of the University of Hawai'i and its 10 campuses.

HB 158 HD2 broadens the scope of the tuition assistance program. It allows all University of Hawai'i students who are Hawai'i National Guard members to apply for tuition assistance from the Hawai'i National Guard tuition assistance program. In addition, the bill appropriates money to fund the tuition program.

The University appreciates the outstanding service that the Hawai'i National Guard has provided to our state & country. The University is supportive of supporting our service members to improve themselves and their community.

Thank you for your support of the University and the opportunity to comment on this bill.