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HB 2277 HD1 – RELATING TO HEALTH CARE TRANSFORMATION

Chair Luke, Vice Chairs Nishimoto and Johanson, and members of the House Committee on Finance, thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in support of this bill, HB 2277 HD1.

The UH Mānoa School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene supports this bill to continue health care transformation in the State of Hawai'i on a long term basis and create a structure and authority to support this effort.

The UH Mānoa School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene's mission is to provide an innovative, caring and multicultural environment to generate and transmit knowledge, wisdom, and values to promote quality of life and health for present and future generations. We are committed to educating dental hygienists, professional registered nurses, and advanced practice registered nurses to deliver evidence-based practice and quality patient care to support health care transformation locally and nationally. Therefore, we are pleased to support the multi-sector statewide health care transformation activities that will improve access to care and develop a state health care transformation plan.

We look forward to continuing our collaboration with the proposed Office of Health Care Transformation to coordinate and align efforts focused on quality and best practices for the benefit of every state resident.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.