## Testimony Presented Before the

## COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

Senator Ron Menor, Chair Senator Gary L. Hooser, Vice Chair

## COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TAXATION

Senator Carol Fukunaga, Chair Senator Will Espero, Vice Chair

DATE: Thursday, April 12, 2007

TIME: 3:15 p.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 211

By James Gaines Interim Vice President for Research University of Hawaii

RE: Testimony In Support of SCR114SD1

Chairs Menor and Fukunaga, Vice-chairs Hooser and Espero,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit <u>testimony in favor of SCR114SD1</u> REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO COMPILE A REPORT ON GENETICALLY MODIFIED FOOD CROPS.

The University of Hawaii will look forward to providing the most up to date information available to the Legislative Reference Bureau for the proposed report. The university supports all kinds of agriculture research, from traditional row crops to organic and genetically engineered varieties and we hope to work with the Bureau so that they can produce a factual report based on information found in peer-reviewed science and agriculture journals.

Thank you in advance for your support of SCR114SD1.