

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

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SB 1678 SD3 - RELATING TO TAXATION

Chair Oshiro, Vice Chair Lee, and Members of the Committee:

The University of Hawaii is in support of Section 19 of the bill which provides that

(4) <u>A sum equal to</u> per cent of all tax revenues realized by the State under chapters A, <u>B, and C, respectively, from the effective date of this Act through December 31, 2014, shall</u> <u>be deposited in the state treasury in each fiscal year to the credit of the University of Hawaii</u> to fund high-priority higher education programs; provided that any moneys received under <u>this section shall augment and not replace existing operating or capital improvement</u> <u>budgets; provided further that beginning January 1, 2015, all revenues realized by the State</u> <u>under chapters A, B, and C shall be deposited in the state treasury.</u>

This provision will provide an additional source of funding for high-priority higher education programs.

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony and for your continuing support of the University of Hawaii.