

BOARD OF REGENTS

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SB 1386, SD1 – RELATING TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII

Chair Nishimoto, Vice Chair Nakashima, and members of the House Committee on Higher Education:

Senate Bill 1386, Senate Draft 1 statutorily changes the election of the Board of Regents' Chair and Vice Chair from the first Board of Regents' meeting of the academic year (June 30) to a meeting in the prior academic year (before July 1). It also provides the flexibility to elect up to two Vice Chairs.

I support the bill but would like to respectfully request that SB 1386, SD1 use the language in HB 1327, HD2. It specifies that the Chairperson and up to two Vice Chairpersons shall be elected instead of appointed, and deletes outdated information.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.