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SCR 156  URGING THE CREATION OF AN EXPLORATORY COMMITTEE TO
CONSIDER THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN INTERNATIONAL AVIATION
TRAINING CENTER AT THE HILO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND AN
ADVANCED AVIATION DEGREE TRAINING PROGRAM AT THE
UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI`I AT HILO

Chairs English, Tokuda, Vice Chairs Espero, Kidani and Members of the Committees:

We support the intent of SCR156. Hawai`i is dependent on aviation for transportation and
business and at present there is no aviation baccalaureate (4-year degree) program in the
state. This resolution calls for a study that would permit us to explore and design a program
that we could bring forward for further consideration.

To this end, we support this resolution and would be very willing to participate in an
exploratory committee to examine the feasibility and needed resources for establishing a
training program.

Thank you for this opportunity to support this resolution. Mahalo.