



# UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

## Legislative Testimony

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Senate Committee on Transportation and International Affairs  
Senate Committee on Education

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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 HAWAII 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.