



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

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HB 541 HD1 – RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TUITION AND FEES SPECIAL FUND

Chair Taniguchi, Vice Chair Inouye, and members of the Higher Education and the Arts committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to testify. The University of Hawai'i (UH) is supportive of HB 541 HD1, Relating to the University of Hawaii Tuition and Fees Special Fund. This bill would require for each UH campus to prepare an operations plan to be reviewed by the President of UH. This bill would also require moneys in the UH Tuition and Fees Special Fund for each UH campus to lapse at the end of each fiscal year to the credit of UH, System Wide Support (UOH900).

The fiscal controls contemplated in this measure would provide the President and CFO significantly greater control over UH operations. The committee should consider that such controls may entail the appropriateness for the Board of Regents to ultimately approve any modifications to a campus spending plan.

Thank you for your time and consideration.