



# UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

## Legislative Testimony

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HB 2010 HD1– RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII

Chair Luke, Vice Chair Cullen, and members of the committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on HB 2010 HD1, which would provide scholarships to students pursuing degrees and certificates in Hawaiian language at the University of Hawai'i.

The University of Hawai'i System (UH) supports this appropriation to fund scholarships for students who take and learn the Hawaiian language. UH has seen an increase in the numbers of students seeking knowledge of Hawaiian history and its language. As an indigenous serving institution, this scholarship will assist students in their ability to further their 'ōlelo Hawai'i while attending any of UH's 10 campuses.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.