



# UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

## Legislative Testimony

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### HB 2697 – RELATING TO EDUCATION

Chair Woodson, Vice Chairs Hashem and Quinlan, and members of the committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on HB 2697 which establish a no time to lose commission to examine how the State's public schools can be internationally competitive by examining common elements found in high performing education systems.

The College of Education supports intent of this bill in particular the following:

- (1) Individual teacher preparation time to allow teachers to adequately prepare for instruction the following day;
- (2) Collaborative teacher preparation time to allow opportunities for similar-grade teachers to facilitate conversation regarding effective pedagogy and the creation of high-quality lesson plans; and,
- (3) Time for teachers to work with students who have not mastered any lessons;

The College of Education would also support being considered a partner on the commission. Thank you for this opportunity to testify on HB 2697.