

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

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HB 878 - RELATING TO HAWAII PRODUCTS

Chair McKelvey, Vice Chair Wildberger, and members of the committee:

The University of Hawai'i is in support of HB 878, Relating to Hawaii Products.

In the last several years, there have been no situations where the Hawai'i Products Preference has changed the award of a project to a higher bidder using the preference. The University supports the idea of exempting construction from the Hawai'i Products Preference as this would streamline the bid preparation and bid award phases for projects.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB 878.