



**UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM**

**‘ŌNAEHANA KULANUI O HAWAII**

Legislative Testimony

Hō'ike Mana'o I Mua O Ka 'Aha'ōlelo

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Senate Committee on Higher Education  
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HB 88 HD1 – RELATING TO COASTAL EROSION

Chairs Inouye and Kim, Vice Chairs Elefante and Kidani, and Members of the  
Committees:

The University of Hawai'i (UH) offers its continued support HB 88 HD1 which  
establishes and appropriates funds for UH to conduct a two-year study on sand  
movement patterns and coastal erosion between Sunset Beach and 'Ehukai Beach  
Park on O'ahu.

The Hawai'i Sea Grant's excellent research, education and policy efforts combined with  
working, technical solutions from the UH Mānoa's College of Engineering Coastal  
Erosion Shoreline Team in geotechnics, transportation, infrastructure and shoreline  
hardening, provides the full range of skillsets necessary to conduct this important study.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.