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Legislative Testimony

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HB 875 HD1 – RELATING TO EDUCATION

Chair Perruso, Vice Chair Kapela, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on HB 875 HD1 relating to Education. The University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, College of Education supports HB 875 HD1 which will create and sustain a teacher apprenticeship program in order to support, recruit, develop, and retain teachers for Hawaii's public schools. This bill will provide prospective teachers last-dollar support of postsecondary education, including tuition, student fees, books, technology, credentialing fees, transportation, and support for passing state testing requirements for licensure. This grows our own teacher apprenticeship program and provides the financial incentives for teachers to expand their learning opportunities.

Thank you for allowing our testimony on HB 875 HD1.