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HB 1008 - RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

Chair Matayoshi, Vice Chair Garrett, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony today. The University of Hawai'i **supports** HB 1008, Relating to Public Employment Cost Items. This bill provides appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for the members of Unit 9 and their excluded counterparts for fiscal biennium 2023-2025.

Although an agreement between the employer and the employees has not yet been reached, this bill serves as a vehicle should such an agreement occur.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.