



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

‘ŌNAEHANA KULANUI O HAWAII

Legislative Testimony

Hō'ike Mana'o I Mua O Ka 'Aha'ōlelo

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HR 142/HCR 140 – URGING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO STRENGTHEN THE CENTER FOR LABOR EDUCATION AND RESEARCH AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII WEST OAHU BY ESTABLISHING A WORKING GROUP TO DEVELOP A COMMUNITY-DRIVEN VISION FOR THE CENTER'S PROGRAMS

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

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on House Resolution 142 (HR 142)/House Concurrent Resolution 140 (HCR 140). The University of Hawai'i – West O'ahu supports these measures to strengthen the Center for Labor Education and Research (CLEAR) at the University of Hawai'i – West O'ahu, by establishing a working group to develop a community-driven vision for the Center's programs.

CLEAR was established in 1976 and provides labor education, research and labor-related programs to workers, their organizations, university students, and the public through credit and non-credit classes, seminars, workshops, publications, and the public media. By statute, the Center is guided and advised by a Labor Education and Advisory Council, appointed by the President of the University.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on these resolutions.