

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

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SB 2819 - RELATING TO TEACHER COMPENSATION

Chair Kidani, Vice Chair Kim, and members of the committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on SB 2819, Relating to Teacher Compensation.

The University of Hawaii at Mānoa, College of Education supports the intent of SB 2819 which provides an experimental modernization project aimed to address compensation equity issues and discretionary salary adjustments for experienced senior teachers by recognizing their professional service. Such discretionary adjustments may help encourage senior level teachers to remain in the profession thus increasing retention in our schools.