



**UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM**

**‘ŌNAEHANA KULANUI O HAWAII**

Legislative Testimony

Hō'ike Mana'o I Mua O Ka 'Aha'olelo

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SB 1414 – RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII

Chair Kim, Vice Chair Kidani, and Members of the Committee:

The University of Hawai'i (UH) strongly supports SB 1411 and greatly appreciates the Hawai'i State Legislature's intent to help strengthen UH's sponsored research and training activities by granting exemptions to the university and the Board of Regents from certain provisions of the Hawai'i Public Procurement Code.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.