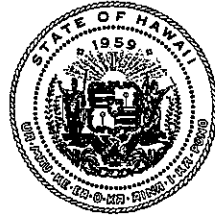


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**TESTIMONY OF THE CHAIRPERSON
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on Senate Concurrent Resolution 235/Senate Resolution 138 – REQUESTING THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA EXPAND UPON A MASTER OF ARTS PROGRAM IN APPLIED ARCHAEOLOGY, THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO ESTABLISH A GRADUATE PROGRAM IN CULTURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT, AND THAT THE STATE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION DIVISION REVIVE ITS ARCHAEOLOGICAL WORKING GROUP

**BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEES ON
EDUCATION,
AGRICULTURE AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS,
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TAXATION,
and
WATER AND LAND**

April 2, 2008

Senate Concurrent Resolution 235/Senate Resolution 138 requests that the University of Hawaii at Manoa expand a Masters of Arts Program in Applied Anthropology, the University of Hawaii at Hilo to establish a graduate level program in culture resource management (CRM) graduate level program, and requests the Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department), State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD), to reconvene the 2006 archaeological working groups. The Department appreciates the intent of these resolutions to expand and develop higher educational programs related to historic preservation. The Department however has concerns with reviving the Archaeological Working Groups at this time.

The Department notes that SHPD needs to focus on it's core mission over the next year. The Department further notes SHPD is in the process of hiring all five (5) management positions: Administrator; three (3) Branch Managers and the Administrative-Clerical Manager. The Department respectfully request that these resolutions be held, as it will take time for this management group to get up to speed and organize the Division, and as such, does not have the time to reconvene the archaeological work groups. As an alternative, SHPD recommends that the Society for Hawaiian Archaeology be tasked with reconvening these work groups.

There is a widespread need in the private sector and in government for a cohort of qualified CRM professionals and archaeologists who are locally trained, and who meet national standards. Receiving a graduate degree from this program would also enhance their ability to qualify for a

number of positions in Hawaii that require a graduate degree, whether with the State or Federal governments or with a private company.

The Department stands ready to engage in internships at SHPD to provide hands on training to the prospective CRM and applied anthropology student. This will also allow an overall strengthening of the historic preservation effort in Hawaii. Local students interested in historic preservation can now go to school here in Hawaii, and eliminate the need to go to the Mainland to fulfill their dream.

A strong historic preservation program in Hawaii can improve our economic prospects through eco-tourism, and agricultural tourism. These forms of tourism is now the fastest growing segment in the tourism market, but a strong preservation plan must be in place to mitigate any damage to the historic and cultural resources.



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

Written Testimony Presented Before the
Senate Committees on Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs; Education;
Economic Development and Taxation; and Water and Land
April 2, 2008 at 1:30 pm

by
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SCR 235/SR138 – REQUESTING THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA EXPAND UPON A MASTER OF ARTS PROGRAM IN APPLIED ARCHAEOLOGY, THAT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO ESTABLISH A GRADUATE PROGRAM IN CULTURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT, AND THAT THE STATE HISTORICAL PRESERVATION DIVISION REVIVE ITS ARCHAEOLOGICAL WORKING GROUP.

Chairs Tokuda, Sakamoto, Fukunaga, Hee, Vice Chairs, and members of the Senate Committees:

I am Linda K. Johnsrud, Vice President for Academic Planning and Policy at the University of Hawai'i System, and I am testifying on behalf of the University. Senate Concurrent Resolution 235 / Senate Resolution 138 strongly encourages the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa to continue to develop and implement a Master of Arts program in applied archaeology and to expand this program to its neighbor island campuses including the planned graduate program in cultural resources management being developed at the University of Hawai'i at Hilo.

The University of Hawai'i strongly agrees with the importance of protecting Hawai'i's cultural and historic heritage, and appreciates the intent of SCR235/SR138 to help resolve the present historic preservation crisis by training and educating professionals. The UH-Mānoa program in Applied Archaeology was established in 2007 to train students specifically in the historic preservation of Hawai'i, and in its second year is receiving increased applications from Hawai'i students.

We support the intent of the resolution to encourage the University to continue to develop its program in applied archaeology, but must rely on each campus to weigh its priorities against other critical needs in the face of scarce resources. In the case of the Mānoa campus, health and safety issues related to repairs and maintenance must take precedence at this time if we are to uphold our mission of serving the state.

In the case of the University of Hawai'i at Hilo, our campus there has testified in support of a Cultural Resource Management program at their campus, stating however, that they would need funding to expand their faculty numbers to support such a program.

We appreciate your support for the University of Hawaii, and thank you for the opportunity to testify on this resolution.



**TO: Senate Committee on Agriculture & Hawaiian Affairs
Senate Committee on Education
Senate Committee on Economic Development & Taxation
Senate Committee on Water & Land**

FROM: Bishop Museum

**SUBJECT: TESTIMONY FOR S.C.R. 235 AND S.R. 138
Support for University of Hawai'i graduate programs in Applied
Archaeology and Cultural Resources Management**

**HEARING: April 2, 2008 at 1:30 p.m.
Room 225**

Bishop Museum was founded in 1889 by Charles Reed Bishop in memory of his wife, Bernice Pauahi Bishop. The Museum is a non-profit organization whose mission is "to study, preserve and tell the stories of the cultures and natural history of Hawai'i and the Pacific."

The state plays an important role in overseeing cultural and historic preservation. Unfortunately, there currently is a shortage of qualified professionals - those who have the appropriate credentials, understand Hawaiian culture and can be culturally sensitive to community concerns. To address the shortage of historic preservation professionals, Bishop Museum supports graduate programs at the University of Hawai'i in Applied Archaeology and Cultural Resources Management. These training programs will serve future generations by creating a pool of locally trained professionals who are academically qualified, know historic preservation rules and regulations, and understand the cultural sensitivities that they will need to exercise.

testimony

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SUBJECT: Testimony in Strong Support of SCR 235 and SR 138, Relating to the Applied
Archaeology Program and the Archaeology Working Group

I am Dr. Thomas Dye, President of the Society for Hawaiian Archaeology (SHA). We have over 200 members that include professional archaeologists and advocates of historic preservation in general. I am testifying in strong support of SCR 235 and SR 138.

These resolutions make three requests. First, they ask the University of Hawaii at Manoa (UH Manoa) to expand upon a Master of Arts program in Applied Archaeology; second they request that the University of Hawaii at Hilo (UH Hilo) establish a graduate program in cultural resources management; and third, the State Historic Preservation Division (SHPD) is asked to revive an archaeological working group established in 2006.

In the last year, the Anthropology Department at UH Manoa began a program in applied archaeology that offers a Master's degree to qualified candidates. Passage of SRC 235 and SR 138 encourages the University of Hawaii to build upon this beginning by expanding the program to include more eligible students, provide for student internships, and create a rotating faculty position held on a yearly basis by archaeological professionals working in the local community.

Expansion of the Manoa program to university campuses on the other islands, as outlined in these resolutions, would greatly benefit those throughout the State who are eligible for and interested in pursuing such graduate work.

Similarly, the portions of SCR 235 and SR 138 pertaining to UH Hilo also build upon an existing program - the undergraduate Cultural Resources Stewardship program developed by staff at Hawaii Community College in Hilo. Many individuals who successfully completed this undergraduate program and related programs are seeking opportunities for graduate work and certifications in cultural resource management, anthropology, or similar fields. The proposed graduate program in cultural resources management, developed through a strategic planning process, would meet these needs and provide Hawaii Island students an in-state and on-island setting for advanced training. The feasibility and richness of this proposed program rests on the cooperative relationship established among the UH Hilo anthropology department and Ka Haka Ula o Keelikolani, the College of Hawaiian Language at UH Hilo, and the Kahu Kuuna.

Our members believe these and similar educational programs are critical to the future of historic preservation in Hawaii and to the progress we all hope will be made in our

collective understanding and appreciation of the past. Progress will not be made without a solid core of well-trained and dedicated individuals that are equipped with the diverse knowledge and skills needed to help implement Hawaii's relatively strong historic preservation laws and to appropriately care for those historic properties, including burial sites, that have been preserved.

Finally, several SHA members were asked to participate in the archaeological working group convened in 2006 by the SHPD. Our members were disappointed when SHPD declined to prepare its promised report of the group's deliberations or to outline how it would implement any of the group's recommendations. Members felt the working group could be a useful forum to focus on particular program elements and to discuss how operations could be improved in these areas. In many cases this entailed taking advantage of technological advances. Similar to the summary outline produced by the parallel architecture working group, most of the ideas were not new. It was more a matter of identifying priorities and helping SHPD realize this potential. Thus, we strongly support those portions of SCR 235 and SR 138 that call for resuming the working group's activities, and we especially support the proposed broadening of the group's membership and the expansion of its role. Revisiting issues previously addressed by the working group is particularly important as only one of the five SHPD staff archaeologists who participated in the working group is still at SHPD.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on the important issues raised by SCR 235 and SR 138. We respectfully urge you to pass these resolutions out of committee as currently worded. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the above telephone number and email address.

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Attached is testimony from the Department of Land and Natural Resources on SCR 235/SR 138 - Requesting that the University of Hawaii at Manoa Expand Upon a Master of Arts Program in Applied Archaeology, that the University of Hawaii at Hilo Establish a Graduate Program in Cultural Resources Management, and that the State Historic Preservation Division Revive its Archaeological Working Group to be heard before the joint Senate Committees on Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs; Education; Economic Development and Taxation; and Water and Land on Wednesday, April 2, 2008, 1:30 p.m. in Conference Room 225.

Should you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you.

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