



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

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House Committee on Water, Land & Ocean Resources
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by

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HB 2735 – RELATING TO THE STADIUM AUTHORITY

Chair Chang, Vice Chair Har and members of the Committee:

HB 2735 amends section 109-1(a), HRS, to make the president of the University of Hawai'i, or the president's designee, a voting member of the stadium authority. It also clarifies the total membership of the authority by including *ex officio* members in the member count.

The University supports passage of HB 2735.

Thank you for allowing me to present testimony on behalf of the University of Hawai'i.

Written Testimony Presented Before the
House Committee on Water, Land and Ocean Resources
Friday, February 2, 2012 at 9:00 a.m.
James J. Donovan, Director of Athletics
UHM Athletics Department

HB2735 – RELATING TO THE STADIUM AUTHORITY

Chair Chang, Vice Chair Har and members of the Committee:

My name is Jim Donovan, and I serve as the director of the University of Hawaii at Manoa's Athletics Department. I am pleased to provide personal testimony on House Bill 2735. This testimony does not represent the position of the University of Hawai'i or Athletics Department.

I support passage of this measure.

Because of the football games we play annually at Aloha Stadium, we create in excess of 50% of the fans that attend in-stadium events annually and a significant portion of the revenues that are derived from the stadium.

Allowing the President of the University of Hawaii, or the President's designee, to vote on Stadium Authority issues, will provide the University of Hawaii with direct voting input on issues that impact us.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.