

TESTIMONY BY KALBERT K. YOUNG
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STATE OF HAWAII
TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
ON
HOUSE BILL NOS. 431, 432, 433, 434, 816, 820, 822, 1162,
1163, 1164, 1168, 1169, 1170, and 1171

February 14, 2013

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

These measures are vehicle bills to appropriate and authorize funds for collective bargaining cost items for salary adjustments, other cost adjustments, and/or Employer-Union Health Benefit Trust Fund costs for public employees for Fiscal Biennium 2013-15.

The Department of Budget and Finance supports moving these measures, or similar ones, as negotiations are currently in progress and vehicle bills will be necessary should an agreement be reached or arbitration award issued prior to the end of the legislative session. See the listing of the bargaining units included in the bills below:

House Bill No. 816, Bargaining Unit 1; House Bill No. 1164, Bargaining Unit 2; House Bill No. 1163, Bargaining Unit 3; House Bill No. 1162, Bargaining Unit 4; House Bill No. 820, Bargaining Unit 5; House Bill Nos. 434 and 1170, Bargaining Unit 6; House Bill No. 822, Bargaining Unit 7; House Bill Nos. 432 and 1169, Bargaining Unit 8; House Bill Nos. 433 and 1171, Bargaining Unit 9; House Bill Nos. 431 and 1168, Bargaining Unit 13.



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

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By

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HB 822 – Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items

Chair Luke, Vice Chairs Nishimoto and Johanson, Members of the House Committee on Finance:

The University of Hawai'i supports House Bill 822, the purpose of which is to provide fund authorization and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for Bargaining Unit 07, faculty of the University of Hawai'i, and their excluded counterparts. The State of Hawai'i, the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i and the University of Hawai'i Professional Assembly entered into a six year collective bargaining agreement for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2015. The University of Hawai'i is committed to pay for faculty salary restoration and the repayment of deferred faculty salary to be paid in years three to six of this agreement. The agreement also commits the University to 3 percent faculty pay raises in years five and six of this agreement, respectively. The University respectfully requests receiving the same commitment from the State for collective bargaining costs with regard to the University of Hawai'i Professional Assembly as may be committed by the State for agreements made with other bargaining units.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of House Bill 822.