
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. (a) There shall be established at the pharmacy
2 school of the University of Hawaii at Hilo a five-year pilot
3 program commencing on July 1, 2014, and terminating on June 30,
4 2019, under which the pharmacy program shall be financially and
5 managerially autonomous.

6 (b) The pharmacy school shall be financially supported
7 entirely by the special fund established under section 2 into
8 which shall be deposited all revenues generated by the pharmacy
9 school.

10 (c) The University of Hawaii system may, but shall not be
11 required to, subsidize or provide any financial assistance to
12 the pharmacy school.

13 (d) The pharmacy school shall not be subject to any fees
14 or assessments that may generally be levied by the University of
15 Hawaii system upon its programs, departments, and schools.

16 SECTION 2. (a) There is established the University of
17 Hawaii at Hilo pharmacy school special fund, which shall be



1 administered by the pharmacy school board of governors
2 established under section 3.

3 (b) Revenues of the special fund shall consist of all the
4 revenues of the pharmacy school, including revenues and any
5 interest accrued from tuition, grants, fees, and donations.

6 (c) The special fund may be used for the following
7 purposes:

- 8 (1) Reimbursement of all costs associated with the
9 construction, maintenance, and operation of the
10 pharmacy school;
- 11 (2) Procurement of loans from a financial institution to
12 construct, maintain, and operate the pharmacy school;
13 and
- 14 (3) Payment of any debt service on any loans made by a
15 financial institution to the pharmacy school to
16 construct, maintain, or operate the pharmacy school.

17 (d) The special fund shall be exempt from the central
18 services expenses deducted pursuant to section 36-27, Hawaii
19 Revised Statutes, or the pro rata share of departmental
20 administrative expenses charged pursuant to section 36-30,
21 Hawaii Revised Statutes.



1 (e) The special fund shall be subject to independent
2 audits upon the request of the legislature.

3 (f) On January 1, 2015, and every four years thereafter,
4 the pharmacy school board of governors shall report semi-
5 annually to the legislature on the moneys in the special fund,
6 including deposits, expenditures, and other transactions. The
7 reports shall explain in detail all expenditures from the
8 special fund.

9 SECTION 3. (a) There is established the University of
10 Hawaii at Hilo pharmacy school board of governors, whose powers
11 and duties shall include the following:

12 (1) The administration of the special fund established
13 under section 2;

14 (2) All powers and responsibilities necessary to plan,
15 design, construct, maintain, and operate an
16 educational facility for the University of Hawaii at
17 Hilo pharmacy school; and

18 (3) Assisting the pharmacy school with the adjustment of
19 the pharmacy school tuition costs.

20 (b) The board of governors shall consist of five members
21 who shall be appointed as follows:



- 1 (1) One member who shall be a member of the University of
2 Hawaii board of regents and who shall be appointed by
3 the chair of the University of Hawaii board of
4 regents;
- 5 (2) One member with financial management experience who
6 shall be appointed by the governor pursuant to section
7 26-34, Hawaii Revised Statutes; provided that
8 notwithstanding the four-year term period limitation
9 established in that section, the term of the member
10 appointed pursuant to this paragraph shall be for five
11 years;
- 12 (3) One member who shall be a member of the board of
13 pharmacy and who shall be appointed by the chair of
14 the board of pharmacy; provided that the member is one
15 of the pharmacists on the board of pharmacy who is
16 licensed to practice pursuant to chapter 461, Hawaii
17 Revised Statutes;
- 18 (4) One member who shall be appointed by the speaker of
19 the house of representatives; and
- 20 (5) One member who shall be appointed by the president of
21 the senate.



1 (c) The board of governors shall select one of its members
2 to serve as the chair of the board of governors; provided that
3 the chair shall not be the member who is appointed by either the
4 speaker of the house of representatives or the president of the
5 senate.

6 (d) The board of governors shall serve without
7 compensation for their services, but shall be reimbursed for
8 necessary expenses, including travel.

9 (e) Except for the limited duties specified in subsection
10 (a), the board of governors shall not otherwise participate in
11 the management or operation of the pharmacy school.

12 SECTION 4. The pharmacy school of the University of Hawaii
13 at Hilo, through the board of governors, shall submit an annual
14 financial and management report to the University of Hawaii
15 board of regents, the governor, and the legislature not less
16 than twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session
17 of the legislature.

18 SECTION 5. Commencing not later than July 1, 2018, the
19 University of Hawaii system shall perform a program evaluation
20 to consider whether the pharmacy school should be continued.
21 The main criteria of the evaluation shall be the ability of the
22 pharmacy school to fiscally sustain its operations during the



1 five-year pilot program. If the University of Hawaii system
2 finds as a result of its program evaluation that the pharmacy
3 school is not fiscally sustainable, then the University of
4 Hawaii system shall report its findings to the legislature no
5 later than twenty days prior to the convening of the 2019
6 regular session and may initiate proceedings to terminate the
7 pilot program as scheduled on June 30, 2019.

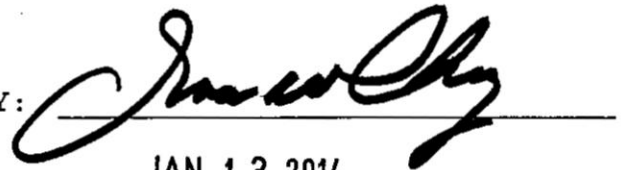
8 SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the University of
9 Hawaii at Hilo pharmacy school special fund the sum of
10 \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
11 year 2014-2015 for the purposes of this Act.

12 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the University of
13 Hawaii at Hilo pharmacy school for the purposes of this Act.

14 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2014, and
15 shall be repealed on June 30, 2019.

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H.B. NO. 1652

Report Title:

UH-Hilo; Pharmacy School; Pilot Project; Special Fund;
Appropriation

Description:

Establishes a 5-year pilot project at the pharmacy school of UH-Hilo that ensures the financial self-sufficiency of the school.
Establishes a special fund for the pharmacy school.
Appropriates moneys from the special fund.

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HILO

January 20, 2014

Re: H.B. NO. 1652. RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION

To whom it may concern:

My name is Dr. John Pezzuto and I am the Founding Dean of the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy at UH Hilo. Following consultation with the executive team of the College, I am testifying **IN SUPPORT** of H.B. NO. 1652.

The Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy is the only program in Hawaii and the Pacific Region to offer the Doctor of Pharmacy. This is the only degree acceptable for becoming a licensed, registered pharmacist. Since the College was launched in 2006, we have realized impressive progress in every aspect of our tripartite mission. The program has been accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and the Accreditation Council of Pharmacy Education (ACPE). However, the College currently stands out of compliance with one of thirty professional standards mandated by the ACPE. This is the standard relating to Physical Facilities. Unless we comply with this standard, professional accreditation will be lost.

This Bill describes an approach that is innovative and entrepreneurial. The Bill helps to assure the College can meet all of the professional accreditation standards and continue contributing to the State and the profession. However, we would like to propose two amendments that will provide clarity while still meeting the intent of the Bill.

Amendment One

Section 6 currently reads: There is appropriated out of the University of Hawaii at Hilo pharmacy school special fund the sum of \$ _____ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2014-2015 for the purposes of this Act.

We request replacement of Section 6 with the following: For the purposes of this act, there is appropriated out of the University of Hawaii at Hilo pharmacy school special fund a sum to be determined by Department of Budget and Finance.

Amendment Two

Section 1 (c) currently reads: The University of Hawaii system may, but shall not be required to, subsidize or provide any financial assistance to the pharmacy school.

We request replacement of Section 1 (c) with the following: The University of Hawaii system may, but shall not be required to, subsidize or provide any financial assistance to the pharmacy school, beyond that which is currently provided.

Thank you for considering this testimony.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'John M. Pezzuto'.

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UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

Testimony Presented Before the
House Committee on Higher Education
January 28, 2014 at 2:00pm
by
Donald O. Straney
Chancellor, University of Hawai'i at Hilo

HB 1652 – RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION

Chair Choy, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on HB 1652 which establishes a five-year pilot program at the pharmacy school of the University of Hawai'i at Hilo (UHH), under which the school shall be financially self-sufficient and managerially autonomous from the University of Hawai'i. The bill establishes a UHH Pharmacy School Special Fund and a Board of Governors for the Pharmacy School; and appropriates an unspecified sum out of the special fund for the purposes of the Act.

The University of Hawai'i appreciates the intent of the bill, which provides an avenue for funding the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy's facilities, which is required to maintain its accreditation. The college has met all requirements for accreditation except for having a permanent home. This requirement must be met by June, 2014 or the college is in jeopardy of losing its accreditation. The University places a very high priority on maintaining the college, which is the only college of pharmacy in the region.

Provisions of the bill would duplicate or replace parts of the University's functions. The University has an existing mechanism for evaluating new programs. The Board of Governors this bill would establish duplicates the function of the Board of Regents. We believe both provisions are not necessary for the purpose of establishing a self-supporting college.

We are concerned that there are uncertainties in the financial aspects of establishing a college as self-sufficient or autonomous. It is not clear that the college is able to be both self-sufficient on its tuition revenues and able to cover the debt service on the full cost of the building the college requires, especially over the 30 year period of the debt.

The budget request submitted by the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i and included by the Governor in his executive budget request has as its first priority for new construction \$28M in general obligation bonds and \$5M in revenue bonds to construct a permanent home for the college. The University continues to believe this is the best approach to funding this building. We stand ready to discuss alternatives, but at this point, we prefer the Governor's proposal to the funding mechanism described in this bill.

Thank for the opportunity to provide testimony.

TESTIMONY BY KALBERT K. YOUNG
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE
STATE OF HAWAII
TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION
ON
HOUSE BILL NO. 1652

January 28, 2014

RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION

House Bill No. 1652 establishes a five-year pilot program for the pharmacy school of the University of Hawaii at Hilo (UHH), commencing on July 1, 2014 and terminating on June 30, 2019, to which the pharmacy program shall be financially self-sufficient and managerially autonomous. The bill specifically: 1) establishes the UHH Pharmacy School Special Fund which shall be administered by the Pharmacy School Board of Governors; 2) exempts the special fund from the central services expenses pursuant to Section 36-27, HRS, and the pro rata share of departmental administrative expenses pursuant to Section 36-30, HRS; 3) establishes the UHH Pharmacy School Board of Governors; and 4) appropriates an unspecified sum out of the UHH Pharmacy School special fund for the purposes of the Act.

The Department of Budget and Finance (B&F) recognizes the bill's intent to provide a funding mechanism for the UHH Pharmacy School and offers the following comments:

- First, based on discussions with the Department of the Attorney General, the establishment of an autonomous Board of Governors for the UHH Pharmacy School would violate Article X, Section 6 of the Hawaii State Constitution, because such action infringes on the Board of Regents "exclusive jurisdiction over the internal structure, management, and operation of the university." According to the bill, the Pharmacy School Board of Governors does not report to the Board of Regents.

- Second, there is a practical inconsistency in attempting to issue long-term debt for a facility when the statutory basis is a “five-year pilot program.” Issuance of long-term debt is a formal, legal process that binds the issuer to the bond holders who provide the capital for the project. To be viable, the statutory authority must encompass, at the very least, the term of the bond financing mechanism. Additionally, the issuer needs to clearly demonstrate long-term financial sustainability with sufficient reserves and coverage ratios to address contingencies and unforeseen events. This will be especially critical in a newly created, standalone credit situation as proposed in this bill.
- Finally, the Administration has included in the FY 15 Supplemental Budget \$33,000,000 (\$28,000,000 in general obligation bond funds and \$5,000,000 in revenue bond funds to be secured by UH system revenues) to construct a new instructional facility for the UHH Pharmacy School. At present, this would be the preferred funding method for the facility considering revenue streams of UHH, the pharmacy school, and the UH system, governance, and the availability of reasonable financing options. However, the Administration and B&F are open to considering and discussing any other sustainable financing strategies that can be developed. Our end objective is to ensure that the UH system and UHH can execute the construction of an appropriate pharmacy school.



**TESTIMONY OF
THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE, 2014**

ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE:

H.B. NO. 1652, RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION.

BEFORE THE:

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

DATE: Thursday, January 23, 2014

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

LOCATION: State Capitol, Room 309

TESTIFIER(S): David M. Louie, Attorney General, or
Randall S. Nishiyama, Deputy Attorney General

Chair Choy and Members of the Committee:

The Department of the Attorney General opposes this bill because it violates article X, section 6, of the Hawaii State Constitution, which gives the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii "exclusive jurisdiction over the internal structure, management, and operation of the university."

Among other things, this bill provides for a five-year pilot program that establishes the University of Hawaii at Hilo Pharmacy School Board of Governors, an autonomous body not accountable to the Board of Regents, whose powers include the administration of the operations and finances of the Pharmacy School.

The establishment of an autonomous Board of Governors for the Pharmacy School violates article X, section 6, of the Hawaii State Constitution, which provides in pertinent part:

The board shall have the power to formulate policy, and to exercise control over the university through its executive officer, the president of the university, who shall be appointed by the board. The board shall also have exclusive jurisdiction over the internal structure, management, and operation of the university. This section shall not limit the power of the legislature to enact laws of statewide concern. The legislature shall have the exclusive jurisdiction to identify laws of statewide concern.

In a previous formulation of the Board of Regents' constitutional authority, article X, section 6, was renumbered and amended by the 1978 Constitutional Convention and included the following proviso: "except that the board shall have exclusive jurisdiction over the internal organization and management of the university." In interpreting this proviso, the Hawaii Supreme Court stated that "[t]he plain language of section 6 indicates that the university may

operate autonomously over matters of "internal organization and management." The Committee Report defines such matters as those which relate primarily to the internal operations of the university such as course selection or admissions policy." Levi v. University of Hawaii, 63 Haw. 366, 371, 628 P.2d 1026 (1981); see also University of Hawaii Professional Assembly v. University of Hawaii, 66 Haw. 214, 220 n.1, 659 P.2d 720 (1983) ("the purpose of the proviso was simply to insure that the 'internal organization and management' of the University would not be subject to interference from the state executive or legislature").

We believe that this bill is unconstitutional in that it infringes on the authority of the Board of Regents, and we respectfully ask the Committee to hold this bill.

January 27, 2014

Re: H.B. NO. 1652. RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION

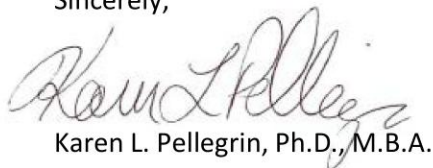
To whom it may concern:

My name is Karen Pellegrin and I am the Director of Continuing Education and Strategic Planning for the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy at UH Hilo. I am testifying **IN SUPPORT** of H.B. NO. 1652 because I believe it is an innovative pilot designed to optimize the success and sustainability of the College while being accountable to all stakeholders. More importantly, I believe this pilot might help chart a new course for the University of Hawaii.

Across the nation, higher education is in search of new models that will deliver better value to students, families, taxpayers, and others who fund universities. The University of Hawaii has been distracted from this search by more basic, but critically important, leadership and governance issues. The resolution of these issues should be aligned with a commitment to and progress toward a more transparent, adaptive, accountable University of Hawaii. I believe H.B. NO. 1652 is an important step toward this aim.

Thank you for considering this testimony.

Sincerely,



Karen L. Pellegrin, Ph.D., M.B.A.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Andrea Rosanoff	Center for Magnesium Educ & Res	Support	No

Comments: As Director of Research & Science Information Outreach at the Center for Magnesium Education & Research, I have watched the College of Pharmacy at UH Hilo grow over the past few years into a viable, budding research/teaching institution of top notch quality, I've watched the meticulous gathering of a fine and diverse faculty, capable of world-class teaching and research. I've seen an enthusiastic, highly able faculty take on nothing less than heroic workloads to literally "push" this important institution into being. I am in favor of HB 1652, and hope it gives the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy the means and local support it needs to fulfill its promise, especially in the design and building of a central facility on the UH Hilo campus that will bring it in to accreditation. I hope you will all be careful not to burden this important School of Pharmacy with inappropriate legislation or lack of funding. This school, which stands to be the premier Pharmacy School in the Pacific, needs to let this pilot program be a true "send off" with appropriate support and encouragement and without any unreasonable hurdles from the Legislature and Executive branches of our state government, or from the larger Univ. of Hawaii. I trust you all to do your best to make HB1652 into the positive legislation that will enable the College to fulfill its promise. Sincerely, Andrea Rosanoff, Ph.D. 808-965-7061

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Carol A. VanCamp	Japanese Chamber of Commerce & Industry	Comments Only	No

Comments: This project is important to our community. While we would prefer to have a new UHH College of Pharmacy building funded through capital funding, we would also support this other option, should capital funding not be possible. The COP has tremendous potential to bring additional research dollars to university.

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Testimony for the House Committee on Higher Education
Regarding House Bill No. 1652, Relating to Higher Education
Committee Hearing on January 28, 2014 at 2:00 pm
Hawaii State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street, Conference Room 309

RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION

Aloha and Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of the UH Hilo College of Pharmacy.

I am submitting this testimony in both my capacity as President of the Hawai'i Island Chamber of Commerce (HICC) and as the HICC representative on the Friends of the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy Committee. My testimony expresses the views of the membership of HICC and the members of FDKICoP in support of the College of Pharmacy.

The FDKICoP consists of a very concerned group of business people and committed individuals who represent many businesses and organizations in the community and, the HICC continues to be the "voice of small business" on the Island of Hawai'i. The goal, from both groups, is to ensure funding and accreditation for the College of Pharmacy so the College can fulfill its promise to their students, and the broader community.

The College of Pharmacy has proven its expertise and merits accreditation. Should their building not be funded, all of this exceptional work (and all the promises of productive futures for students) will be lost. We must find a way to ensure the sustainability of the College!

We appreciate Chair Choy's introduction of HB 1652 and commend the efforts in considering various options to ensure the success of UH Hilo's College of Pharmacy. At the same time, the Board of Regents and the Governor has included in the FY 15 Supplemental Budget \$28M in general obligation bond funds and \$5M in revenue bond funds to be secured by UH system revenues, to construct a new instructional facility for the DKU College of Pharmacy.

Our first preference is to support the funding for the construction of the College of Pharmacy through the Capital Improvement budget as requested by the Board of Regents and the Administration as this would provide greater confidence in terms of longevity of the program. However, we want to ensure full compliance for national accreditation of the pharmacy program, so we are open to viable funding options as presenting by Chair Choy.

If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Mahalo,

Judith Fox-Goldstein, President, Hawai'i Island Chamber of Commerce
Member, Friends of the Daniel K Inouye College of Pharmacy (FDKICoP)

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Hawai`i House of Representatives Committee on Higher Education**

Hearing on January 28, 2014 at 2:00 pm

Hawai`i State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street, Conference Room 309

Aloha Chair Choy, Vice Chair Ichiyama and Members of the Committee on Higher Education,

I am Jacqui Hoover, Executive Director of the Hawai`i Island Economic Development Board (HIEDB) and President of Hawai`i Leeward Planning Conference (HLPC), and a member of the Friends of the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy.

The introduction of HB 1652 and combined efforts of our legislature, policy makers, the University of Hawai`i system, and community are vitally important to the success of UH Hilo's College of Pharmacy.

Members and affiliates of HIEDB numbering in excess of one hundred (100) Hawai`i Island stakeholders collectively and respectively support and appreciate all efforts to ensure full compliance for national accreditation of the pharmacy program including construction of permanent facilities for the DKI College of Pharmacy. As such, we support all finance options to accomplish this including HB 1652.

Mahalo for allowing me this opportunity to speak in support of HB 1652. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns.

Jacqui L. Hoover, Executive Director & COO



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Aloha Chair Choy, Vice Chair Ichiyama and Members of the Committee on Higher Education,

I am Jacqui Hoover, President of Hawai`i Leeward Planning Conference (HLPC), and Executive Director of the Hawai`i Island Economic Development Board (HIEDB) and a member of the Friends of the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy.

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RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION

Aloha! My name is Kelvin Sewake and I am chair of the Friends of the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy. We are a steering committee made up of members of the broad community representing businesses, organizations, and concerned individuals.

We appreciate Chair Choy's introduction of HB 1652 and commend the efforts in considering various options to ensure the success of UH Hilo's College of Pharmacy. At the same time, the Board of Regents and the Governor has included in the FY 15 Supplemental Budget \$28M in general obligation bond funds and \$5M in revenue bond funds to be secured by UH system revenues, to construct a new instructional facility for the DKI College of Pharmacy.

While we much prefer that the funding for the construction of the College of Pharmacy be left in the Capital Improvement budget as requested by the Board of Regents and the Administration as this would provide greater confidence in terms of longevity of the program, we want to ensure full compliance for national accreditation of the pharmacy program, so we are open to viable funding options.

If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Mahalo,

Kelvin T. Sewake

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Ken Morris testimony in support of H.B. NO. 1652

January 23, 2014

Re: H.B. NO. 1652. RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION

To: the Higher Education Committee:

My name is Ken Morris and I am writing as a private citizen but am also a professor and chairman of the department of Pharmaceutical Science at the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy at UH Hilo. I also sit on the executive team of the College and am testifying **IN STRONG SUPPORT** of H.B. NO. 1652.

The Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy is the only program in Hawai'i and the Pacific Region, providing the ideal setting for student life experience and our rural health care mission. We have an approved and well established curriculum, outstanding faculty and staff, successful and growing research activities, and a world class system of experiential sites for our students. Our Doctor of Pharmacy students and the associated faculty serve the communities starting in the very first year of the program. The students spend the first 3 of their 4 years on the Big Island taking classes and getting early experiential training at local pharmacies, clinics, and the hospital. Their final year is all clinical rotations throughout the country and U.S. territories. We are graduating excellent students and are in all ways compliant with the standards required for the college except for having a permanent central facility for the college.

This Bill offers a unique opportunity to obtain financing for the building and to maintain the program. I realize there are legitimate logistical concerns but I trust that as the bill moves through the legislative process it will benefit from thoughtful amendment to insure adequate funding for the initiative and satisfy any concerns of all the stakeholders.

Aloha and Mahalo for your service and for providing the opportunity for this testimony.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ken Morris". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Ken Morris, Ph.D.

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Margaret Morris	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I stand in strong support of HB 1652. This is necessary to ensure the future of the students in the form of accreditation, of the state in the form of better health care, and of the Big Island, the best place to live in Hawai'i.

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Hugh Y Ono	Individual	Support	No

Comments: As a Hawaii Island Citizen request your support to best assure that the UHH School of Pharmacy is not lost due to not being accredited. We as community & business members are extremely proud of our School and furthermore for the benefit it provides to our Island, State, Region and Country. I ask that you please use your good judgment to support and allow UHH Pharmacy to have the BUILDING it so badly needs to meet accreditation requirements.

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Regarding House Bill No. 1652, Relating to Higher Education
Committee Hearing on January 28, 2014 at 2:00 pm
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RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION- **SUPPORT**

Aloha,

My name is Marvin Min and I am on the Steering Committee of the Friends of the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy. I am a resident of Hilo, Hawaii and strongly SUPPORT funding for the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy building because we have an excellent program, but with no permanent building. This is a great opportunity for our community of Hilo and to develop Hilo as a college town. The states administration has fully supported funding this building. The University of Hawaii system has also placed this as one of their highest CIP priorities as well.

Thank you again for allowing me to provide my written testimony to SUPPORT this bill. I appreciate all your hard work during this session to represent the people of Hawaii and especially the constituents in Hilo.

Sincerely,

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Barbara Hastings	Individual	Comments Only	No

Comments: January 27, 2014 Rep. Isaac Choy And Members Hawaii House Committee on Higher Education Re: House Bill No. 1652, Relating to Higher Education Committee Hearing on January 28, 2014 at 2:00 pm Aloha, Rep. Choy and Committee Members: First, I wish to thank you for your service to our State. I am a member of the Friends of the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy, a diverse collection of individuals and business groups that understands the economic, academic and health benefits for our State afforded by the Pharmacy School. I would not strongly oppose HB 1652, as it also promotes the success of the UHH Pharmacy School, but think the first course should be to support recommendations of the Board of Regents and the Governor included in the FY 15 Supplemental Budget, \$28 million in general obligation bond funds and \$5 million in revenue bond funds to be secured by UH system revenues. That said, I agree with our Friends group that while we prefer the Regents' and Administration route, we are concerned about accreditation and so remain open to other options, such as HB 1652. Mahalo, Barbara A. Hastings Member: Friends of Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy bahastings@mac.com

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David Tarnas	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha Chairman Choy and Committee members. Along with many other Friends of the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy at UH Hilo, I support HB 1652 as one viable means of financing the buildings and parking lots needed for a fully accredited College of Pharmacy. The College of Pharmacy is a successful higher education venture by UH Hilo in partnership with the Hawaii Island community that deserves the support of the Hawaii State Legislature. The College of Pharmacy has the potential to make sustainable and meaningful contributions to improve the health of our community and economy. Because of the compelling public interest to establish the UH Hilo College of Pharmacy, I recommend that the legislature funds the CIP through General Obligation bonds rather than through a special fund as described in HB 1652. However, if this year's budget doesn't allow for GO bonds to cover all of the CIP of the College of Pharmacy, then perhaps the arrangement in this bill offers an alternative business arrangement that has been successful in other pharmacy colleges on the U.S. mainland. To obtain accreditation as a college of pharmacy, it is imperative for the UH Hilo College of Pharmacy to obtain legislative approval for a financing plan for constructing the buildings and parking lots needed to be an operating college, either through CIP GO bond funding or this special fund in HB 1652. This viable financing is required for the College of Pharmacy to receive its accreditation, currently under review. Please support UH Hilo's College of Pharmacy! Mahalo for your consideration. David Tarnas, Waimea, Hawaii.

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