WRITTEN COMMENTS
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SB 2074 – MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

Chair Ige, Vice Chair Kidani and members of the committee:

The University of Hawai'i supports Senate Bill 2074, to provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items on behalf of University of Hawai'i employees represented by bargaining unit 09 and its excluded counterparts.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written comments in support of Senate Bill 2074.

TESTIMONY BY KALBERT K. YOUNG
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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
ON
SENATE BILL NO. 2074

February 19, 2014

MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

This measure is a vehicle bill to appropriate and authorize funds for collective bargaining cost items for salary adjustments, other cost adjustments, and Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefit Trust costs for public employees represented by the Hawaii Government Employees Association (HGEA) belonging to Bargaining Unit 9 (registered nurses) and their excluded counterparts for Fiscal Biennium 2013-15.

Although the collective bargaining process for this bargaining unit has not yet concluded, the Department of Budget and Finance supports moving this measure, or similar ones, as HGEA and the public employers have reached a tentative agreement concerning Unit 9. The ratification vote is expected to be complete by February 27, 2014. If this agreement is ratified, we will be submitting a proposed revised draft of this bill with appropriation amounts inserted consistent with that agreement.

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Testimony by
Hawaii Government Employees Association
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S.B. 2073, S.B. 2074, S.B. 2075 – MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO strongly supports S.B. 2073, S.B. 2074 and S.B. 2075, each of which provide a vehicle to implement pending collective bargaining agreements for fiscal biennium 2013 – 15 for bargaining units 6, 9 and 14, respectively.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the above legislation.

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respectfully submitted.

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