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TESTIMONY BY WESLEY K. MACHIDA DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE STATE OF HAWAII TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR ON SENATE BILL NOS. 1077, 1078, 1079, 1083, AND 1084

February 5, 2015

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 and other cost adjustments for public employees represented by the Hawaii Government Employees' Association and their excluded counterparts for Fiscal Biennium 2015-17.

The Department of Budget and Finance supports moving these administration proposals, 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. The bargaining units addressed in the bills are as follows: Senate Bill No. 1077, Bargaining Unit 2; Senate Bill No. 1078, Bargaining Unit 3; Senate Bill No. 1079, Bargaining Unit 4; Senate Bill No. 1083, Bargaining Unit 8; and Senate Bill No. 1084, Bargaining Unit 9. DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR



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February 3, 2015

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR For Hearing on Thursday, February 5, 2015 9:00 a.m., Conference Room 016

By

JAMES K. NISHIMOTO CHIEF NEGOTIATOR

Senate Bill No. 1079 Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items

(WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY)

CHAIRPERSON KEITH-AGARAN, VICE CHAIR SHIMABUKURO AND MEMBERS OF THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR:

S.B. No. 1079 provides fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for unit (4) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015 - 2017.

The Office of Collective Bargaining (OCB) is **IN SUPPORT** of this bill.

OCB is in favor of this bill continuing to proceed through the legislative process to ensure adequate funding of negotiated cost items.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.



Legislative Testimony

Testimony Presented Before the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor February 5, 2015 at 9:00 am Room 016 by Kalbert Young Vice President – Budget & Finance & Chief Financial Officer, University of Hawai'i

SB 1079 – MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair Shimabukuro, and members of the Judiciary and Labor committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to testify. The University of Hawai'i (UH) supports SB1079, Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items. This measure would provide fund authorization and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items on behalf of UH employees represented by unit (4) and their excluded counterparts, pursuant to collective bargaining agreements between the State of Hawai'i and the bargaining unit for fiscal biennium 2015-2017.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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<u>S.B. 1077, S.B. 1078, S.B. 1079,</u> <u>S.B. 1083, S.B. 1084, and S.B. 1152</u>

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO strongly supports S.B. 1077, S.B. 1078, S.B. 1079, S.B. 1083, S.B. 1084, and S.B. 1152 each of which provide a vehicle to implement pending collective bargaining agreements for fiscal biennium 2015 – 2017.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Perreira Executive Director