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TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON
WAYS AND MEANS

RE: SB 1195, SD1 - RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2019

COREY ROSENLEE, PRESIDENT
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Chair Dela Cruz, and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii State Teachers Association **strongly supports SB 1195, SD1**, making appropriations for collective bargaining cost items.

The Hawaii State Teachers Association is the exclusive representative of the state's 13,700 public school teachers as the local affiliate of the 2.2 million member National Education Association. This measure provides a vehicle to provide appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for the members of Unit (5) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit exclusive representative for fiscal biennium 2019-2021.

The Hawaii State Teachers Association asks your committee to **support** this bill.