



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

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SB 1197 – RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

Chair Taniguchi, Vice Chair Ihara, and members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony today. The University of Hawai'i **supports** SB 1197, Relating to Public Employment Cost Items. This bill provides appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for the members of Unit (7) and their excluded counterparts for fiscal biennium 2019-2021.

Government employers in the State are in negotiations with bargaining unit (7). Once negotiations and the collective bargaining process have concluded, this bill may be necessary if additional funding is required.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.



The Senate Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts
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RE: SB 1197, RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

Attention: Chair Brian T. Taniguchi, Vice Chair Les Ihara, Jr. and
Members of the Committee

The University of Hawaii Professional Assembly (UHPA) urges the Committee to **support passage of SB 1197**, which is a measure to appropriate funds for fiscal biennium 2019-2021 for salary costs for public employees in collective bargaining unit (7) and for certain employees excluded from collective bargaining.

UHPA urges the committee to **support SB 1197**.

Respectfully Submitted,

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