



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

Testimony Presented Before the
Senate Committee on Ways and Means
Wednesday, February 20, 2019, 10:05 a.m., Room 211
by
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SB 318 – MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and members of the committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on SB 318, which appropriates \$143,784 for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the same sum for fiscal year 2020-2021 for three full-time equivalent positions (3.0 FTE) for the custodial and maintenance staff at the University of Hawai'i at Hilo (UH Hilo).

UH Hilo appreciates and supports the bill, which will allow the UH Hilo campus to meet the increased needs of added improved interior and exterior space to the campus. Well maintained facilities and grounds supports and environment that attracts and retains students and employees who want to learn and work in a 21st century environment.

Over the last five years, the UH Hilo campus has grown with the addition of two new buildings, with at third, the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy building scheduled to open in Summer 2019. Completion of new buildings and space requires upkeep and maintenance, both to interior and grounds. In addition, the new buildings have increased the air conditioning infrastructure to the campus, which requires on-going maintenance and upkeep.

This appropriation will allow UH Hilo to establish 2.0 FTE Building and Grounds Custodians and a 1.0 FTE Air Conditioning Mechanic position. The Building and Grounds custodians will be able to maintain both interiors of buildings and grounds, supplementing current Janitor and Groundskeeper positions. The Air Conditioning Mechanic position will allow UH Hilo to reduce contracted services, provide regular maintenance of systems, and be more responsive to air conditioning issues that occur on campus.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify on behalf of SB 318.

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February 19, 2019

Senator Donovan M Dela Cruz, Chair Ways and Means
Senate District 22
Hawaii State Capital, Room 208

Re: **SB 318 - Making an Appropriation to the University of Hawai`i at Hilo**

Dear Honorable Senator Dela Cruz,

The Japanese Chamber of Commerce & Industry of Hawaii would like to submit for your consideration its support for Senate Bill 318 Making an Appropriation to the University of Hawai`i at Hilo.

Thank You,
Donn Mende
Government Affairs Committee Chair

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Ryan Kadota	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Gordon Takaki	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB318 which appropriates \$143,784 for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the same amount for fiscal year 2020-2021 for three full-time equivalent positions (3.0 FTE) for the custodial and maintenance staff at the University of Hawaii at Hilo.

UH Hilo campus has grown over the past 5 years, including the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy building scheduled to open in Summer of 2019. This allows the UH Hilo campus to meet the increased needs of added interior and exterior space to the campus. funding will provide for needed maintenance of buildings and grounds associated with these recent growth in facilities and will provide for needed timely maintenance of air conditioning systems while reducing contracted services.

Further, this funding will help to create well maintained facilities and grounds support and environment that attract and retain students and employees in a 21st century learning environment.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of SB318

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jennifer Zelko	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I support SB 318, which appropriates \$143,784 for fiscal year 2019-2020 and the same sum for fiscal year 2020-2021 for three full-time equivalent positions (3.0 FTE) for the custodial and maintenance staff at the University of Hawai`i at Hilo (UH Hilo).

UH Hilo campus has grown over the past five years, including the Daniel K. Inouye College of Pharmacy building scheduled to open in Summer 2019. The appropriation will allow the UH Hilo campus to meet the increased needs of added interior and exterior space to the campus.

It will help to create well maintained facilities and grounds supports and environment that attract and retain students and employees in a 21st century learning environment.

In addition it will provide for needed maintenance of buildings and grounds of associated with recent growth in facilities, and will provide for needed, timely maintenance of air conditioning systems while reducing contracted services.

Thank you for your support.

Jennifer Zelko-Schlueter