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**WRITTEN ONLY**  
TESTIMONY BY CRAIG K. HIRAI  
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE  
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR, CULTURE AND THE ARTS  
ON  
SENATE BILL NOS. 1069, 1070, 1071, 1072, 1073, 1074, 1075, 1076, 1077, 1078,  
1079, 1080, AND 1081

**February 5, 2021**  
**3:00 p.m.**  
**Room 225**

**RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS**

The Department of Budget and Finance supports moving these Administration measures, or similar ones, as negotiations are currently in progress and vehicle bills will be necessary if an agreement is reached or arbitration award is issued requiring an appropriation prior to the end of the legislative session.

These measures appropriate and authorize appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for salary adjustments and other cost adjustments for Fiscal Biennium 2021-23.

The bargaining units addressed in the bills are as follows: Senate Bill No. 1069, Bargaining Unit 1; Senate Bill No. 1070, Bargaining Unit 2; Senate Bill No. 1071, Bargaining Unit 3; Senate Bill No. 1072, Bargaining Unit 4; Senate Bill No. 1073, Bargaining Unit 5; Senate Bill No. 1074, Bargaining Unit 6; Senate Bill No. 1075, Bargaining Unit 7; Senate Bill No. 1076, Bargaining Unit 8; Senate Bill No. 1077, Bargaining Unit 9; Senate Bill No. 1078, Bargaining Unit 10; Senate Bill No. 1079, Bargaining Unit 11; Senate Bill No. 1080, Bargaining Unit 13; and Senate Bill No. 1081, Bargaining Unit 14.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.



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## Legislative Testimony

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Testimony Presented Before the  
Senate Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts  
February 5, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

by  
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### SB 1070 – 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 1070, Relating to Public Employment Cost Items. This bill provides appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for members of Unit (2) and their excluded counterparts for fiscal biennium 2021-2023.

Although an agreement between the employer and the employees has not yet been reached, this bill serves as a vehicle should such an agreement occur.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.



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The Thirty-First Legislature, State of Hawaii  
The Senate  
Committee on Labor, Culture and the Arts

Testimony by  
Hawaii Government Employees Association

February 5, 2021

S.B. 1070, S.B. 1071, S.B. 1072, S.B. 1074,  
S.B. 1076, S.B. 1077, S.B. 1080, S.B. 1081 –  
RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST  
ITEMS

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO strongly supports the purpose and intent of S.B. 1070, S.B. 1071, S.B. 1072, S.B. 1074, S.B. 1076, S.B. 1077, S.B. 1080, and S.B. 1081, each of which provides a funding vehicle to implement collective bargaining agreements for Bargaining Units 02, 03, 04, 06, 08, 09, 13, and 14, respectively, beginning on July 1, 2021.

Although we have begun the negotiations process with the Employer, no agreements have been reached, therefore all the aforementioned bills contain no appropriations at this time. We respectfully request the Committee to pass these vehicle bills in case we are able to settle our contracts prior to adjournment.

Thank you for the opportunity to support the above referenced measures.

Respectfully submitted,

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