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SB 1075 SD1 – RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

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

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony today. The University of Hawai'i **supports** SB 1075 SD1, Relating to Public Employment Cost Items. This bill provides appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for members of Unit (7) 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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ON

SENATE BILL NOS. 1069, S.D. 1; 1070, S.D. 1; 1071, S.D. 1; 1072, S.D. 1;
1073, S.D. 1; 1074, S.D. 1; 1075, S.D. 1; 1076, S.D. 1; 1077, S.D. 1; 1078, S.D. 1;
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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 may 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, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 1; Senate Bill No. 1070, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 2; Senate Bill No. 1071, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 3; Senate Bill No. 1072, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 4; Senate Bill No. 1073, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 5; Senate Bill No. 1074, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 6; Senate Bill No. 1075, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 7; Senate Bill No. 1076, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 8; Senate Bill No. 1077, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 9; Senate Bill

No. 1078, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 10; Senate Bill No. 1079, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 11;
Senate Bill No. 1080, S.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 13; and Senate Bill No. 1081, S.D. 1,
Bargaining Unit 14.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.