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TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS & MEANS

RE: HB 1004 HD1- RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 2023

OSA TUI, JR., PRESIDENT
HAWAI'I STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

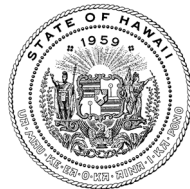
Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Committee:

The Hawai'i State Teachers Association **strongly supports HB 1004, HD1**, making appropriations for collective bargaining cost items. This bill provides 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 representative for fiscal biennium 2023-2025

The Hawai'i State Teachers Association is the exclusive representative of the state's 13,700 public school educators and the local affiliate of the 2.2 million member National Education Association (NEA). This measure provides a vehicle to fund a collective bargaining agreement for bargaining unit (5) upon ratification of new contract.

The Hawai'i State Teachers Association asks your committee to **support** this bill.

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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
ON

HOUSE BILL NOS. 1000, H.D. 1; 1001, H.D. 1; 1002, H.D. 1; 1003, H.D. 1;
1004, H.D. 1; 1005, H.D. 1; 1006, H.D. 1; 1007, H.D. 1; 1008, H.D. 1; 1009, H.D. 1;
1010, H.D. 1; 1011, H.D. 1; AND 1012, H.D. 1

March 30, 2023

10:05 a.m.

Room 211 and Videoconference

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

The Department of Budget and Finance supports moving these Administration proposals, or similar bills, as collective bargaining negotiations, or re-opener negotiations, are currently in progress and vehicle bills may be necessary if an agreement is reached 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 2023-25.

The bargaining units (BU) addressed in the bills are as follows: House Bill (H.B.) No. 1000, H.D. 1, BU 1; H.B. No. 1001, H.D. 1, BU 2; H.B. No. 1002, H.D. 1, BU 3; H.B. No. 1003, H.D. 1, BU 4; H.B. No. 1004, H.D. 1, BU 5; H.B. No. 1005, H.D. 1, BU 6; H.B. No. 1006, H.D. 1, BU 7; H.B. No. 1007, H.D. 1, BU 8; H.B. No. 1008, H.D. 1, BU 9; H.B. No. 1009, H.D. 1, BU 10; H.B. No. 1010, H.D. 1, BU 11; H.B. No. 1011, H.D. 1, BU 13; and H.B. No. 1012, H.D. 1, BU 14.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.