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Legislative Testimony

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Senate Committee on Ways and Means
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By

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HB 1009 HD1 – RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

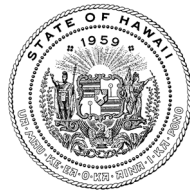
Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony today. The University of Hawai'i **supports** HB 1009 HD1, Relating to Public Employment Cost Items. This bill provides appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for the members of Unit 10 and their excluded counterparts for fiscal biennium 2023-2025.

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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TESTIMONY BY LUIS P. SALAVERIA
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE
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

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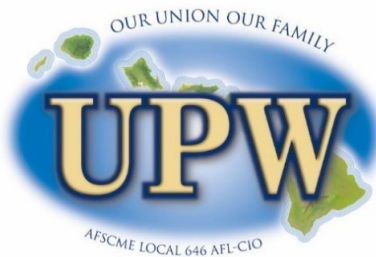
RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

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.



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COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
Senator Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair

Thursday, March 30, 2023, 10:05 AM
Conference Room 211 and via Videoconference

Re: Testimony in SUPPORT of HB1009, HD1 – RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

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

The United Public Workers, AFSCME Local 646, AFL-CIO (“UPW”) is the exclusive bargaining representative for approximately 14,000 public employees, which includes blue collar, non-supervisory employees in Bargaining Unit 1 and institutional, health, and correctional employees in Bargaining Unit 10, in the State of Hawaii and various counties. The UPW also represents 1,500 members in the private sector.

UPW **strongly supports** HB1009, HD1, which provides appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for the members of Unit (10) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2023-2025.

While an agreement between the Union and the Employer has not yet been reached, we appreciate the opportunity to provide testimony in strong support of the legislative vehicle for our Bargaining Unit 10 members.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kalani Werner', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Kalani Werner
State Director