

## EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

## HONOLULU

## MAY 24, 1999

STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1660

Honorable Members Twentieth Legislature State of Hawaii

Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am returning herewith, without my approval, House Bill No. 1660, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to Higher Education."

The purpose of House Bill No. 1660 is to authorize the University of Hawaii to carry over for one fiscal year any unexpended and unencumbered general fund appropriation. In addition, the bill exempts the University of Hawaii from the allotment controls of chapter 37, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The intent of this bill, to give the University of Hawaii more budgetary flexibility, has some merit in light of the autonomy granted to the University. However, if general revenues are lower than expected and the University of Hawaii is free from budgetary adjustments through allotment controls, every other state department and program will have to bear a greater burden of adjustments. This is not fair or reasonable.

For the foregoing reasons, I am returning House Bill No. 1660 without my approval.

Respectfully,

Senjamin J. CAMEIA Sovernor of Hawaii

## PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, under Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, the Governor is required to give notice, by a proclamation, of his plan to return with his objections any bill presented to him less than ten days before adjournment sine die or presented to him after adjournment sine die of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 1660, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to Higher Education," passed by the Legislature, was presented to the Governor within the aforementioned period; and

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 1660 is unacceptable to the Governor of the State of Hawaii;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO, Governor of the State of Hawaii, do hereby issue this proclamation, pursuant to the provisions of Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, giving notice of my plan to return House Bill No. 1660 with my objections thereon to the Legislature as provided by said Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution.

DONE at the State Capitol, Honolulu, State of Hawaii, this

day of

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