## TESTIMONY BY WESLEY K. MACHIDA DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE STATE OF HAWAII TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR ON SENATE BILL NO. 2835

February 3, 2016

## MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

This measure appropriates and authorizes funding for collective bargaining cost items for salary adjustments and other cost adjustments for public employees represented by the Hawaii Government Employees Association belonging to Bargaining Unit 8 and their excluded counterparts for Fiscal Biennium 2015-17.

The Department of Budget and Finance supports this Administration proposal to fund the arbitration award issued in November 2015.

Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor February 3, 2016 at 9:30 a.m., Room 016 by Kalbert K. Young Vice President – Budget & Finance/Chief Financial Officer University of Hawai'i

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SB2835 – MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair Shimabukuro, and Members of the Committee on Judiciary and Labor:

Thank you for this opportunity to testify. The University of Hawai'i (UH) supports SB2835, Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items. This measure appropriates funds for collective bargaining cost items for Unit (8) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015-2017.

Please be advised tenets of the arbitration award include payments during the current fiscal year, therefore this measure and the associated appropriation should be effectuate as soon as procedurally possible.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



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The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO strongly supports the passage and enactment of S.B. 2835 which provides appropriations to implement an arbitrated collective bargaining agreement for bargaining unit 08 for fiscal biennium 2015 – 2017.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in strong support of the above legislation.

Randy Perreira

**Executive Director** 

Respectfully submitted.

