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Comments: Aloha Honorable Committee Members: We submit this testimony supporting SB720 to fund the continued concussion education and monitoring program at the Department of Kinesiology and Rehabilitation Science of the University of Hawaii directed at school athletics and youth athletic activities. There is a critical need to continue concussion testing/monitoring at the Department of Education and youth athletic league level given the large numbers of Hawai`i's students involved in athletics -- particularly football and soccer, where concussion rates can be higher. Concussion damage can also become more severe if such injuries are NOT quickly and accurately recognized and the injured athlete returns to competition too soon. Continuing funding for this program detailed in SB 720 will make it possible for Hawai`i's young athletes to have reliable information about concussions, and to receive testing and monitoring of concussion injuries. For all of the above reasons, we respectfully urge you to support and fund SB720 and pass it out of your committee. Mahalo for this opportunity to present comments supporting this measure.

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