SB 2877

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII CANCER CENTER.

Authorizes the issuance of GO bonds and appropriates funds for the construction of the Hawaii early phase cancer clinical trials program at the University of Hawaii cancer center.



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Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of SB 2877, which authorizes general obligation bonds for the purpose of establishing an early phase clinical trials program at the University of Hawaii Cancer Center.

The American Cancer Society Cancer Action Network (ACS CAN) is the nation's leading cancer advocacy organization. ACS CAN works with federal, state, and local government bodies to support evidence-based policy and legislative solutions designed to eliminate cancer as a major health problem.

Clinical trials are vital in studying all aspects of medicine. When researching medicines to treat cancer, all new treatments (drugs and medical devices) must go through clinical trials before being approved by the FDA. Increasing clinical trials would accelerate the research into new therapies for the benefit of cancer patients and for those who may need these treatments in the future.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this important issue.

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