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TESTIMONY BY LUIS P. SALAVERIA DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND TECHNOLOGY 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; AND 1012, H.D. 1

March 13, 2023 3:00 p.m. **Room 224 and Videoconference**

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; and H.B. No. 1012, H.D. 1, BU 14.

Please note that H.B. No. 1011 for BU 13, which also has re-opener negotiations pending, has not been included for this hearing.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.

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HB 1006 HD1 - RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS

Chair Moriwaki, Vice Chair Lee, and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony today. The University of Hawai'i **supports** HB 1006 HD1, Relating to Public Employment Cost Items. This bill provides appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for the members of Unit 7 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.



The Senate Committee on Labor, and Technology Monday, March 13, 2023 3:00 PM Room 224 & Videoconference

RE: HB 1006, HD 1, Relating to Public Employment Cost Items

Attention: Chair Sharon Moriwaki, Vice Chair Chris Lee and

Members of the Committee

The University of Hawaii Professional Assembly (UHPA) respectfully requests the Committee to **support passage of HB 1006, HD1** which is a measure to appropriate funds for fiscal biennium 2023-2025 for all collective bargaining cost items negotiated for public employees in collective bargaining unit (7) and their excluded counterparts.

UHPA respectfully requests the Committee to support passage of HB 1006, HD1.

Respectfully submitted,

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