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TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

DATE: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2015

RE: SCR 96 / SR 50

PERSON TESTIFYING: JOAN LEWIS, VICE PRESIDENT

HAWAII STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

The Honorable Chair Kidani, Vice Chair Harimoto and Members of the Committee:

The Hawai'i State Teachers' Association (HSTA) <u>supports SCR 96 /SR 50</u> requesting the Department of Education to review the feasibility of continuing the Lahainaluna High School Boarding Program.

It is our hope that any feasibility review would ultimately recognize the importance that Lahainaluna H.S. and its boarding program have for our state both for its historical significance and because the boarding program provides a unique and necessary learning and growth opportunity for students.

HSTA supports all programs that support the diverse needs of all our students. Lahainaluna's Boarding program has a long, proud history of doing just that.

HSTA supports SCR 96 / SR 50.