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by Mitchell Ka'aiali'i President, University of Hawaii'i Alumni Association and Douglas Inouye 1st Vice President, University of Hawaii'i Alumni Association and Patrick Oki 2nd Vice President, University of Hawaii'i Alumni Association

HB 2670 - Relating to the University of Hawaii'i

Chair Chang, Vice Chair Nakashima, and Members of the House Committee on Higher Education:

The University of Hawaii'i Alumni Association supports the passage of HB 2670. Lifting the cap will allow more investment in alumni relations and the critical task of engaging alumni with their alma mater.

Our partnership with the University of Hawaii'i Foundation has proven to be a most productive and successful model for the Association with increased membership and most importantly, a direct correlation of increased engagement to alumni giving.

During the University of Hawaii'i Foundation's Centennial Campaign completed June 30, 2009, 1 out of every 5 Manoa alumni gave back to their alma mater, this is nearly double the amount of alumni giving from the previous campaign. This level of giving is one of the highest in the nation compared to our peer public research institutions.

Alumni support through increased communication and programming is critical to the success of our alma mater. An investment in alumni relations through the University of Hawaii'i Foundation is an investment in the future success of our University.

We extend our mahalo for the introduction of this bill.

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