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TESTIMONY TO THE
HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
For Hearing on Wednesday, April 1, 2015
2:00 p.m., Conference Room 308

By

JAMES K. NISHIMOTO
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**Senate Bill Nos. 1076 SD1 HD1; 1077 SD1 HD1; 1078 SD1 HD1; 1079 SD1 HD1;
1080 SD1 HD1; 1081 SD1 HD1; 1082 SD1 HD1; 1083 SD1 HD1; and 1084 SD1 HD1
Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items**

(WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY)

CHAIRPERSON LUKE, VICE CHAIR NISHIMOTO AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE
COMMITTEE ON FINANCE:

These bills provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for bargaining units (14), (2), (3), (4), (5), (10), (11), (8) and (9) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the respective bargaining unit representatives for fiscal biennium 2015 – 2017.

The Office of Collective Bargaining (OCB) is **IN SUPPORT** of these bills.

OCB is in favor of these bills continuing to proceed through the legislative process to ensure adequate funding of negotiated cost items.

TESTIMONY BY WESLEY K. MACHIDA
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE
STATE OF HAWAII
TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
ON
SENATE BILL NOS. 1077, S.D. 1, H.D. 1; 1078, S.D. 1, H.D. 1;
1079, S.D. 1, H.D. 1; 1083, S.D. 1, H.D. 1; AND 1084, S.D. 1, H.D. 1

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MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

These measures are vehicle bills to appropriate and authorize funds for collective bargaining cost items for salary adjustments and other cost adjustments for public employees represented by the Hawaii Government Employees' Association and their excluded counterparts for Fiscal Biennium 2015-17.

The Department of Budget and Finance supports moving these administration proposals, or similar ones, as negotiations are currently in progress and vehicle bills will be necessary should an agreement be reached or arbitration award issued prior to the end of the legislative session. The bargaining units addressed in the bills are as follows: Senate Bill No. 1077, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 2; Senate Bill No. 1078, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 3; Senate Bill No. 1079, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 4; Senate Bill No. 1083, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 8; and Senate Bill No. 1084, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, Bargaining Unit 9.



UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

WRITTEN ONLY TESTIMONY

Submitted to the

House Committee on Finance

April 1, 2015 at 2:00 pm Room 308

by

Kalbert Young

Vice President – Budget & Finance & Chief Financial Officer

University of Hawai'i

SB 1083 SD1 HD1 – MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS

Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, and members of the Finance Committee:

Thank you for this opportunity to testify. The University of Hawai'i (UH) supports SB1083 SD1 HD1, Making Appropriations for Collective Bargaining Cost Items. This measure would provide fund authorization and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items on behalf of UH employees represented by unit (8) and their excluded counterparts, pursuant to collective bargaining agreements between the State of Hawai'i and the bargaining unit for fiscal biennium 2015-2017.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



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**The Twenty-Eighth Legislature, State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
Committee on Finance**

**Testimony by
Hawaii Government Employees Association
April 1, 2015**

**S.B. 1076, S.B. 1077, S.B. 1078,
S.B. 1079, S.B. 1083, S.B. 1084 –
MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING ITEMS**

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO strongly supports S.B. 1076, S.B. 1077, S.B. 1078, S.B. 1079, S.B. 1083, and S.B. 1084 -- each of which provide a vehicle to implement pending collective bargaining agreements for fiscal biennium 2015 - 2017 for bargaining units 2, 3, 4, 8, 9 and 14.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of the above legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

for Randy Perreira
Executive Director