



Senate Committee on Higher Education
Honorable Donna Mercado Kim, Chair
Honorable Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair

**RE: Testimony in opposition to S.B. 741, Relating to the University of
Hawaii**
Hearing: February 4, 2025 at 3:15 p.m.

Dear Chair and Members of the Committee:

My name is Ben Creps. I am a staff attorney at the Public First Law Center, a nonprofit organization that promotes government transparency. Thank you for the opportunity to respectfully submit testimony in **opposition** to S.B. 741.

We specifically oppose the Sunshine Law exemption provided at page 2, lines 4 - 12, as the language is convoluted and the exemption it creates is unclear. Any exemptions to chapter 92 of the Hawai'i Revised Statutes should be clearly articulated and narrowly defined.

Thank you again for the opportunity to testify in opposition to S.B. 741.

