

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2347

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 17

, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 3120
S.D. 1

Honorable Robert Bunda
President of the Senate
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
S.B. No. 3120 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase the amount of
general fund appropriations to the University of Hawaii systemwide
previously appropriated for the B Plus scholarship program, and to
clarify the income guidelines.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the University of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that the UH should increase its efforts
to improve access to higher education by providing need-based aid
for Hawaii residents. With the increases in tuition at University
of Hawaii, your Committee is concerned that increasing numbers of
students will find higher education to be unaffordable. As a
public institution supported by public funds, a University of
Hawaii education must not become the privilege of a select few.
Your Committee notes that some public universities in other states
provide for free tuition for residents as an incentive to obtain a
college degree. The overall effect of this policy is to raise the
quality of a state's workforce, and thus positively impact
economic development.



Your Committee has amended this measure on the recommendation of the University of Hawaii to clarify the language on need-based aid.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Higher Education that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3120, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3120, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Higher Education,

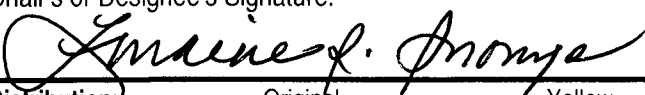


CLAYTON HEE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Third Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the
Committee on Higher Education
(Bills and Resolutions)

Measure:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
SB 3120	HRE, WAM	2/14/06
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is to:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (2312) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (2311) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold (2310) <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit (2313)		
Members	Ayes	Ayes(WR)
HEE, Clayton (C)	✓	
INOUE, Lorraine R. (VC)	✓	
BAKER, Rosalyn H.		
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne		
SAKAMOTO, Norman	✓	
TRIMBLE, Gordon	✓	
TOTAL	7	2
Recommendation:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:		
		
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