

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1263

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 16, 2007

RE: S.B. No. 1922
S.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
S.B. No. 1922, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CREATIVE MEDIA,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill to lay the foundation for economic
diversification through initiatives aimed at supporting creative
media in Hawaii. Specifically, this bill:

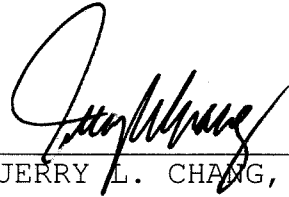
- (1) Creates financial incentives for and appropriates monies
to the Academy for Creative Media at the University of
Hawaii (UH) at Manoa for the development, planning,
design, and construction of a permanent facility at UH
and for equipping that facility;
- (2) Establishes and funds a local incubator facility to
develop Hawaii's digital media infrastructure for film
and television productions and interactive game
development; and
- (3) Establishes and funds the Music and Enterprise Learning
Experience Program at UH - Honolulu Community College to
develop the artistic, technical, and business skills
required by Hawaii's artists and music industry.



Honolulu Community College, Tropical Music, Inc., the Hawaii Academy of Recording Arts, Global Brain, Inc., TCR Productions, KUD International LLC, faculty of the Searider Productions Integrated Journalism and Digital Media Education Program at Waianae High School, Mountain Apple Company, and numerous individuals and students testified in support of this bill. The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, Department of Taxation, UH-Manoa, the Academy for Creative Media at UH, Aloha Agency, and several concerned individuals supported the intent of this measure.

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. 1922, S.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committees on Economic Development & Business Concerns and Tourism & Culture.

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



JERRY L. CHANG, Chair



