

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1561

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 05 2007

RE: H.B. No. 1630
H.D. 2
S.D. 2

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1630, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds through the Hawaii 3Ts School Technology Laboratories Fund for the project EAST program to prepare students for high technology jobs.

Your Committee received comments in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, the Attorney General, the Hawaii State Teachers Association, 3D Innovations LLC, Global Brain Inc., NovaSol, and two concerned citizens.

Your Committee finds that project EAST (environmental and spatial technology) assists Hawaii's students by helping them develop important critical thinking, problem-solving, and analytical skills that are necessary in high technology-based jobs. Project EAST prepares students by providing a comprehensive project-based and student-centered learning program where students are responsible for their own learning.

Your Committee has amended the measure by:



- (1) Clarifying that matching funds are provided pursuant to section 302A-1314(p), relating to the Hawaii 3Ts School Technology Laboratories Fund;
- (2) Clarifying language with respect to allowing the administration of the funds to be implemented in partnership with county economic development boards, as appropriate;
- (3) Adding fiscal year 2008-2009 to the appropriation; and
- (4) Making technical amendments for purposes of clarity and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1630, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1630, H.D. 2, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,




ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fourth Legislature
State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 1630 HD2, SDI	Committee Referral: EDT, WAM	Date: 3/28/07		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <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	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
HOOSER, Gary L.	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado				/
MENOR, Ron	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred	/			
WHALEN, Paul				/
TOTAL	9	0	0	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes