

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 13, 2008

RE: H.R. No. 101

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
H.R. No. 101 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO BEGIN
REBUILDING THE SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH BY 2012,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to seek resolution to the
serious decline in Hawaii's public health workforce by urging the
University of Hawaii to rebuild the School of Public Health (SPH)
by 2012 to expand the education and training of future public
health workers.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the
Hawaii Public Health Association, Hui Ola Pono, and numerous
concerned individuals.

Your Committee notes that many public health workers,
especially those in leadership and middle management are
approaching retirement within the next few years, and that the
replacement workforce may lack formal public health training.
Your Committee acknowledges that significant strides have been
made by the University of Hawaii Office of Public Health Studies
and the Department of Health toward the rebuilding of public
health education, research, and training since the closure of the
SPH in 2000. However, restoring the SPH would expand public
health training and position our State's eligibility for maximum
federal funding in research and education.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Higher Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 101 and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

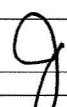


JERRY L. CHANG, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Higher Education

Bill/Resolution No.: HR 101	Committee Referral: HED, FIN	Date: 3/11/08		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HED Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CHANG, Jerry L. (C)	✓			
2. BERTRAM, Joe, III (VC)	✓			
3. BERG, Lyla B., Ph.D.	✓			
4. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.	✓			
5. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
6. SAIKI, Scott K.				✓
7. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L.				✓
8. TAKAI, K. Mark	✓			
9. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.	✓			
10. TAKUMI, Roy M.				✓
11. WAKAI, Glenn				✓
12. CHING, Corinne W.L.	✓			
13. FINNEGAN, Lynn	✓			
TOTAL (13)	9			4
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ 				
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