

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 18, 2008

RE: S.B. No. 3250
S.D. 2
H.D. 1

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
S.B. No. 3250, S.D. 2, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to assist the University of
Hawaii (UH) in meeting its strategic goals and improving
accountability within the system by requiring UH to:

- (1) Prepare and provide to the Legislature an annual
incentive and performance report in November of each
year, beginning in 2008, that reflects the success of
UH's previous incentive and performance plans and
proposes a plan for the following year. The report will
assist the Legislature in appropriating up to two
percent of UH's annual budget to facilitate its
strategic plan and related state goals;
- (2) Include within its strategic plan, measurable goals and
performance-based outcome data; and
- (3) Collect and maintain benchmark data in keeping with
section 304A-2001, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

UH testified in support of this bill.

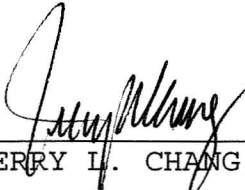


Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Clarifying that the annual incentive and performance report is to reflect the success of UH's performance in its strategic outcome performance measures;
- (2) Specifying that the first annual incentive and performance report is to be a pilot report submitted in November 2009;
- (3) Expressing the Legislature's intent to seek to provide increased flexibility and stability of funding to UH as long as UH is accountable for meeting performance standards; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 3250, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3250, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



JERRY L. CHANG, Chair



