

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

708

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 06 2009

RE: S.B. No. 623  
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2009  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 623 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TUITION ASSISTANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to expand the Adjutant General's authority to award tuition assistance to Hawaii National Guard members at the University of Hawaii.

Specifically, this measure removes the restriction that tuition assistance to commissioned officers may only be given to those officers that fall in grades 01 (second lieutenant) through 03 (captain) and prioritizes assistance to undergraduate students.

This measure also appropriates funds to the Department of Defense to provide tuition assistance to National Guard members enrolled in degree programs within the University of Hawaii system.

Your Committee finds that this measure will provide the Hawaii National Guard with a very valuable incentive for recruiting and retaining highly trained soldiers and airmen capable of performing their federal and state missions.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing the effective date to July 1, 2009, for purposes of continued discussion of the matter.

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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 S.B. No. 623, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 623, S.D. 1.

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

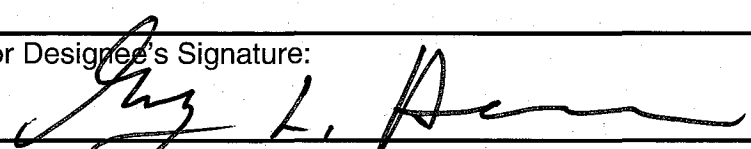


DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Fifth Legislature  
State of Hawaii

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 023</b>	Committee Referral: <b>PSM/HRE, WAM</b>	Date: <b>FEB 27, 2009</b>		
<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
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)	✓			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)				✓
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood				✓
HEE, Clayton	✓			
HOOSER, Gary L.	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	✓			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.				✓
TOKUDA, Jill N.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>9</b>			<b>3</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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