

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1418

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 17 2009

RE: S.C.R. No. 51  
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 Higher Education, to which was referred  
S.C.R. No. 51 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNIVERSITY OF  
HAWAI'I SYSTEM TO IDENTIFY ITS MOST IMPORTANT FOUNDATIONAL  
COURSES TO ENSURE THAT FOUNDATIONAL COURSES ARE NOT ADVERSELY  
IMPACTED BY THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I SYSTEM'S CURRENT BUDGET  
REDUCTIONS DURING A PERIOD OF INCREASED ENROLLMENT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the University of  
Hawaii System to identify its most important foundational courses  
to ensure that foundational courses are not adversely impacted by  
the current budget reductions during a period of increased  
enrollment.

Prior to the hearing, your Committee circulated a Proposed  
S.D. 1, which urged the Candidate Advisory Council for the Board  
of Regents to:

- (1) Convene a working group of students to develop and  
implement a modified process for the selection of the  
candidates for the student member of the University of  
Hawaii Board of Regents;
- (2) Establish a process to ensure student involvement in the  
recruitment and evaluation of candidates for the student  
member of the Board of Regents prior to submission of  
the candidate pool to the Governor;



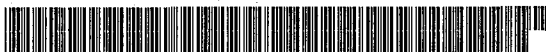
- (3) Include in the working group representatives from each campus, the University of Hawaii Student Caucus, the Associated Students of the University of Hawaii, and other student organizations as may be appropriate; and
- (4) Report its findings and recommendations to the 2010 Legislature.

Testimony in support of this proposed measure was submitted by the University of Hawaii Student Caucus; Associated Students of the University of Hawaii, Honolulu Community College; Associated Students of Kapiolani Community College Student Congress; and three individuals. The University of Hawaii Regents Candidate Advisory Council and two individuals submitted testimony in opposition. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee has amended this proposed measure by:

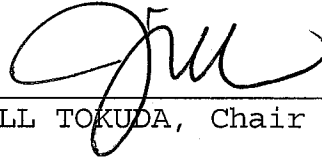
- (1) Amending the title to read: URGING THE REGENTS CANDIDATE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP OF STUDENTS AND OTHER APPROPRIATE PARTIES TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A MODIFIED PROCESS FOR THE SELECTION OF THE CANDIDATES FOR THE STUDENT MEMBER OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII BOARD OF REGENTS;
- (2) Deleting two WHEREAS clauses related to the length of the student member's term and diversity of the constituency;
- (3) Amending the participants in the working group to include the University of Hawaii Student Caucus, the Associate Vice President of Student Affairs for the University of Hawaii System, student life staff advisors from the various campuses, and other appropriate parties; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments.

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 S.C.R.



No. 51, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 51, S.D. 1.

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



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JILL TOKUDA, Chair



