

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 230

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 13, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 991

H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
H.B. No. 991, H.D. 1, 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 ensure adequate access to
medical care in rural, medically underserved areas of the state by
establishing and appropriating funds for the Hawaii Medical Doctor
Loan Program to provide financial assistance for:

- (1) Students who complete a state-approved medical school
program at the University of Hawaii; or
- (2) Graduates of a medical school who have received medical
training from a Hawaii-based medical program,

who agree to practice in rural areas of the state.

The Hawaii Medical Service Association and Hawaii Primary
Care Association testified in support of this bill. The
Department of Budget and Finance opposed this measure.

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 H.B.
No. 991, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to the
Committee on Finance.

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



JERRY L. CHANG, Chair



