

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2803
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2010
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
S.B. No. 2803 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE REGENTS CANDIDATE ADVISORY
COUNCIL, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish a working group within the University of Hawaii Regents Candidate Advisory Council to ensure student involvement in the recruitment and evaluation of student member candidates; and
- (2) Shorten the time during which an individual is ineligible for appointment to the Regents Candidate Advisory Council due to past service on the Executive Council of the University of Hawaii Student Caucus.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the University of Hawaii Regents Candidate Advisory Council and two individuals. The University of Hawaii Professional Assembly submitted testimony in opposition. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that this measure encourages greater student representation on the Regents Candidate Advisory Council in two ways. First, this measure incorporates the unique perspective of University of Hawaii students and employees



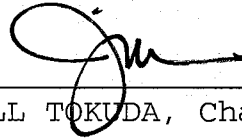
directly involved with students into the Council's recruitment and screening process for the student member of the Board of Regents. Secondly, this measure shortens the time during which an individual is ineligible for appointment to the Regents Candidate Advisory Council due to past service on the Executive Council of the University of Hawaii Student Caucus.

Your Committee agrees with the intent of the proposed amendments by the Regents Candidate Advisory Council and has amended this measure as follows:

- (1) By changing references to the working group established by this measure from "working group" to "student advisory group"; and
- (2) By revising the duties of the Student Advisory Group to entail working with and assisting the Council with recruitment and making recommendations to the Council on the qualifications of the candidates applying for the student member position.

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. 2803, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2803, S.D. 1, and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



JILL TOKUDA, Chair



