

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 17 , 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2368
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Health and Higher Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 2368 entitled:

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

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to establish a medical residency program at the University of Hawaii at Hilo.

Hawaii Medical Association; Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, East Hawaii Region; Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, West Hawaii Region; Hawaii Island Rural Family Practice Residency Program; Hilo Medical Center Foundation; Puna Community Medical Center; Hawaii Island Healthcare Alliance; Hawaii Island Chamber of Commerce; Kona-Kohala Chamber of Commerce; Rotary Club of Hilo; Rotary Club of South Hilo Foundation; and numerous individuals testified in support of this measure. The Department of Health, Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, and the Chancellor of the University of Hawaii at Hilo testified in support of the intent of this measure.



In discussion, your Committees noted the suggestion to change the expending agency in the measure from the University of Hawaii at Hilo, to Hilo Medical Center. Your Committees respectfully request the House Committee on Finance to consider the suggestion and whether such a change is feasible, given the scope of the measure's title.

Your Committees have amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Health and Higher Education that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2368, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2368, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Health and Higher
Education,



SCOTT NISHIMOTO, Chair



BRIAN I. YAMANE, Chair



