

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 17, 2012

RE: H.B. No. 2639
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 Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
H.B. No. 2639, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to assist Hawaii's military personnel by requiring the University of Hawaii's college equivalency program to award credits for professional experience gained in the United States Armed Forces. This measure also requires the University of Hawaii to develop an associated learning assessment to determine learning gained during such experience.

The University of Hawaii System, Legislative Committee of the Oahu Veterans Center, The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, and a concerned individual supported this bill. The Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense provided comments.

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. 2639, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.



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



SCOTT NISHIMOTO, Chair



