

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2595

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 02 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2584  
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2012  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2584 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TUITION ASSISTANCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to broaden the accessibility to the State's tuition assistance program for National Guard members.

Specifically, the measure:

- (1) Makes the existing tuition assistance program available to all Hawaii National Guard members;
- (2) Prioritizes funds to Hawaii National Guard member-students working toward an undergraduate degree; and
- (3) Appropriates funds for the tuition assistance program.

Your Committee finds that tuition assistance should not be limited to only selected members of the Hawaii National Guard, but should be made available to all Hawaii National Guard members to allow them to continue their education and prepare them to enter the workforce. Expanded tuition assistance will also benefit the Hawaii National Guard's recruitment and retention efforts.

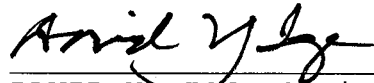


Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the amount of the appropriation to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2584, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2584, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,



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DAVID Y. ICE, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Ways and Means**  
**WAM**

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| Bill / Resolution No.:*<br><i>SB 2584</i>  | Committee Referral:<br><i>PGM/EDU, WAM</i> | Date:<br><i>2-23-12</i> |          |          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.<br>If so, then the previous decision was to: _____  |  |                         |          |          |
| The Recommendation is:<br><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 |  |                         |          |          |
| Members  | Aye  | Aye (WR)                | Nay      | Excused  |
| IGE, David Y. (C)  | /  |                         |          |          |
| KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)   | /  |                         |          |          |
| CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne  | /  |                         |          |          |
| DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.  | /  |                         |          |          |
| ENGLISH, J. Kalani   | /  |                         |          |          |
| ESPERO, Will   | /  |                         |          |          |
| FUKUNAGA, Carol  | /  |                         |          |          |
| KIM, Donna Mercado   | /  |                         |          |          |
| KAHELE, Gilbert  | /  |                         |          |          |
| KOUCHI, Ronald D.  | /  |                         |          |          |
| RYAN, Pohai  | /  |                         |          |          |
| TOKUDA, Jill N.  | /  |                         |          |          |
| WAKAI, Glenn   | /  |                         |          |          |
| SLOM, Sam  | /  |                         |          |          |
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| <b>TOTAL</b>   | <b>14</b>                                  | <b>0</b>                | <b>0</b> | <b>0</b> |
| Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted   |  |                         |          |          |
| Chair's or Designee's Signature:<br><div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">Michelle N. Kidani</div>   |  |                         |          |          |
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