

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2584

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Public Safety, Government Operations, and Military Affairs and Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 2584 entitled:

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

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Expand the existing tuition assistance program to qualified Hawaii National Guard members to include students working toward any degree at the University of Hawaii, with priority given to students working toward their undergraduate degrees; and
- (2) Appropriate funds to provide tuition assistance to students who are members of the Hawaii National Guard.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Adjutant General and University of Hawai'i System.

Your Committees find that all states offer some form of tuition assistance to members of the National Guard who pursue a college degree. Of the fifty states, approximately half of the states offer up to one hundred percent tuition assistance at in-state or state-supported colleges or universities.

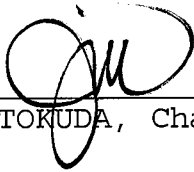
Your Committees are intent on providing National Guard members with the opportunity to improve themselves and their community, as National Guard members have provided outstanding



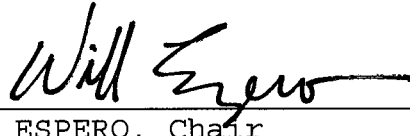
service to the State and country. Your Committees note that this measure serves as a valuable recruiting tool and an incentive for highly trained members to remain in the National Guard.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Public Safety, Government Operations, and Military Affairs and Education that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2584 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Public Safety,
Government Operations, and
Military Affairs and Education,



JILL TOKUDA, Chair



WILL ESPERO, Chair



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Military Affairs
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2584	Committee Referral: PGM/EDU, WAM	Date: 2-2-12		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
ESPERO, Will (C)	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
RYAN, Pohai				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	4	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align: center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em; margin-top: 10px;">Michelle N. Kidani</div>				
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB2584	Committee Referral: PGM/EDU, WAM	Date: 2-3-12		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	5	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
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