

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 606

S.D. 2

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 606, S.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to promote student employment at University of Hawaii campuses.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Appropriates funds for support staff and student employees; and
- (2) Prioritizes funding for students working on programs that support access, retention, and diversity.

The University of Hawaii System submitted written comments in support of this measure.

Your Committee finds that students who work on campus tend to perform better academically than those who work off-campus. The University of Hawaii at Manoa spends approximately \$22,000,000 to hire and employ students, yet more than 2,500 students could not find an on-campus job during the most recently completed semester. Your Committee further finds that this measure will increase student employment throughout the University of Hawaii System, improve the financial status of students, and improve students' academic performance.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the appropriated moneys may be used for students being paid hourly wages;
- (2) Clarifying funding priorities for student-employees;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion on the measure; and
- (4) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 606, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 606, S.D. 2.

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



DAVID Y. ICE, Chair



