

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 5, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 1146
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2013
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
H.B. No. 1146 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to help improve working conditions for graduate students within the University of Hawaii system by removing graduate students employed by the University from the list of state employees statutorily barred from inclusion in any appropriate collective bargaining unit.

The Hawaii Government Employees Association; Board of Directors of the University of Hawaii Professional Assembly; Pride At Work Hawai'i; and numerous concerned individuals supported this measure. A concerned individual opposed this measure. The University of Hawaii System provided comments.

Your Committee notes legal concerns regarding student help raised by the University of Hawaii in its testimony and respectfully requests the Committee on Labor & Public Employment to consider such issues should the Committee choose to hear this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

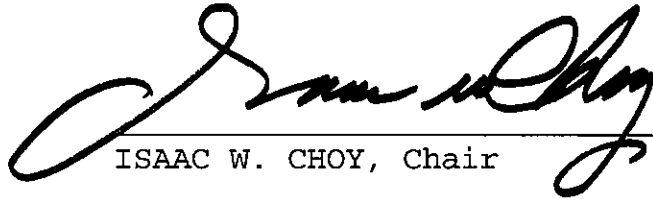
- (1) Changing its effective date to January 1, 2525, to encourage further discussion; and



- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 1146, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1146, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Labor & Public Employment.

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



ISAAC W. CHOY, Chair



