

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1654
H.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
H.B. No. 1654, H.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish a
Campus Facility Board within the University of Hawaii to manage
the funding of necessary repair and maintenance projects at
University of Hawaii campuses statewide.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this
measure from the University of Hawai'i System. Your Committee
received comments on this measure from the Hawaii Operating
Engineers Industry Stabilization Fund.

Your Committee finds that the University of Hawaii System
currently has a backlog of deferred repair and maintenance
projects totaling over \$480,000,000. It is essential to the
future of the University of Hawaii System and its students and
faculty that safe and proper learning environments are provided
and maintained.

Your Committee further finds that this measure will establish
a means to manage the funding of necessary repair and maintenance
projects and assist the University of Hawaii System in addressing
the current backlog.



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. 1654, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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



BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



