

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3084

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 2014

RE: S.R. No. 13

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
S.R. No. 13 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII NOT TO RAISE STUDENT FEES TO BALANCE THE
BUDGET OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT OR
BUDGET DEFICIT OF ANY OTHER DEPARTMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
HAWAII, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the Board
of Regents of the University of Hawaii not to raise student fees
to balance the budget of the University of Hawaii Athletics
Department or budget deficit of any other University of Hawaii
department.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the University of Hawaii System and four individuals. Your
Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from
two individuals.

Your Committee finds that the University of Hawaii Athletics
Department is facing a potential budget deficit of \$2,000,000, and
there are concerns that the University may raise student fees in
order to offset the Athletics Department's deficit.

Your Committee further finds that students should not be
asked to shoulder the burden of making up for the budget deficit
of the Athletics Department or budget deficit of any other
department at the University of Hawaii.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Higher Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 13 and recommends that it 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



