

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

839

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 6, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 546
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 546
entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the University of Hawaii to provide nonsupervisory employees in blue collar positions and similarly situated officers and employees who are excluded from collective bargaining with the same educational benefits provided to faculty of the University of Hawaii and the community college system.

The United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO and Americans for Democratic Action Hawai'i supported this measure. The University of Hawai'i opposed this measure. The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2030, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

HB546 HD1 HSCR FIN HMS 2015-2272



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 546, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 546, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 546		Committee Referral: LAB, HED, FTN		Date: 2/26/15
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)	/			
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)	/			
3. CACHOLA, Romy M.	/			
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.	/			
5. DECOITE, Lynn	/			
6. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	/			
7. JORDAN, Jo	/			
8. KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett	/			
9. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand		/		
10. LOWEN, Nicole E.	/			
11. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	/			
12. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	/			
13. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	/			
14. POUHA, Feki	/			
15. WARD, Gene	/			
TOTAL (15)	14	1		
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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