

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 8, 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2543
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2543 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify the purposes of the University of Hawaii Community Colleges by specifying that they include providing short-term and rapid response occupational and certification programs designed to qualify individuals to fill new and hard-to-fill positions in the State that require technical training.

The Department of Human Resources Development; University of Hawaii Community Colleges; Chamber of Commerce Hawaii; United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO; and an individual provided testimony in support of the measure.

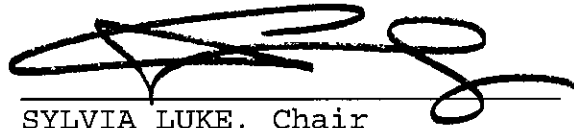
Your Committee has amended this measure by:

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



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 S.B. No. 2543, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2543, H.D. 1.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



