

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1627

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 10, 2015

RE: S.B. No. 325
S.D. 1
H.D. 2

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 S.B. No. 325, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Provide funds for the University of Hawaii to pay student employee salaries at new or expanded work sites on each campus;
- (2) Require the University of Hawaii to develop and implement the Graduation Pathway System on all campuses of the University of Hawaii system no later than the fall semester of 2016 and appropriate funds, including for new staff positions, for this purpose;
- (3) Appropriate funds to the University of Hawaii Center on Aging for the purpose of funding staff positions;
- (4) Direct each campus of the University of Hawaii, in estimating its quarterly budget requirements, to prepare an operations plan for the fiscal year for each of the programs that it is responsible for administering;



- (5) Require funds in the University of Hawaii Tuition and Fees Special Fund for each campus to be lapsed to the credit of Program Identification Number UH900 (University of Hawaii, system wide support) at the end of each fiscal year;
- (6) Require the President and Vice President for Budget and Finance and Chief Financial Officer of the University of Hawaii to review the operations plans for each campus to:
 - (A) Determine if the operations plan meets certain criteria; and
 - (B) Approve the operations plan, or modify or withhold the planned expenditures, depending on whether the criteria are met;
- (7) Establish the Office of the Ombuds, to be attached administratively to the University of Hawaii system office and appropriate funds for this purpose;
- (8) Appropriate funds for staff and materials for the University of Hawaii to comply with Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013 at each of the University of Hawaii system campuses;
- (9) Transfer the Office of Gender Equity from the University of Hawaii at Manoa to the University of Hawaii system office;
- (10) Transfer various existing positions to the Office of Gender Equity at the University of Hawaii system office;
- (11) Convert various existing positions to Title IX Coordinator positions at the University of Hawaii at Manoa, University of Hawaii at Hilo, and University of Hawaii community colleges;
- (12) Direct the Auditor to conduct audits of the University of Hawaii's management of faculty workload;
- (13) Appropriate funds to establish two graduate assistant positions at the Hawaii Educational Policy Center at the University of Hawaii; and



- (14) 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 community college system.

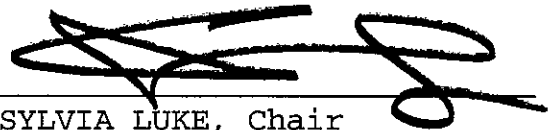
One concerned individual provided testimony in support of this measure. The Hawaii Educational Policy Center submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting the appropriation to the University of Hawaii to fund students employed at new or expanded worksites at each University of Hawaii campus;
- (2) Changing the number of positions funded by this measure to unspecified numbers; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for 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. 325, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 325, S.D. 1, H.D. 2.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



