

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 720

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Education and Higher Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 720 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CONCUSSION PROGRAM,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate monies to the Department of Kinesiology and Rehabilitation Science of the University of Hawaii for the concussion education and monitoring program for school athletics and youth athletic activities.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education, Hawaii High School Athletic Association, Hawaii Athletic Trainers' Association, and one individual.

Your Committees find that concussions and other head injuries pose a significant risk to student and youth athletes. The damage from such an injury often becomes much more severe if the injury is not quickly and accurately recognized and the injured athlete returns to competition too soon. For this reason, it is vital for students and other youth in the State to have reliable information about concussions, and for student and youth athletes to be tested and monitored for possible concussions.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Education and Higher Education that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 720 and recommend that it pass Second Reading



and be referred to your Committees on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health and Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Education and Higher Education,



KAIA'I'I WAHELE, Chair




MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate
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Record of Votes
Committee on Higher Education
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:			
SB 720	EDU/HRE, CPH/WAM	2/8/17			
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____					
The Recommendation is:					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310			
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313					
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused	
KAHELE, Kaiali'i (C)	✓				
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	✓				
ESPERO, Will				✓	
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.				✓	
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	✓				
TOTAL	3	0	0	2	
Recommendation:					
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
					
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