

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 16, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2113
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
H.B. No. 2113, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide state tuition grants for qualified current employees of the State who are admitted to and enrolled in an undergraduate, graduate, or professional degree program or community college program of the University of Hawaii and commit to employment with the State for a certain period of years.

The Hawaii Government Employees Association, and Hawaii State Teachers Association supported the measure. The Department of Human Resources Development submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Providing that if a person is unable to fulfill the entire employment commitment because of an involuntary lay-off, that person is not obligated to refund the State for the pro-rata portion of the grant for the amount of employment commitment remaining;



- (2) Providing that notwithstanding chapter 76, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Department of Human Resources Development must continuously develop and update a list of approved state positions;
- (3) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2112, to encourage further discussion; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

It is not the intent of your Committee to contravene the merit principle of the civil service.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Higher Education that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2113, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2113, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Higher Education,



ANGUS L.K. McKELVEY, Chair



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The Twenty-ninth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Higher Education

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2113 HDI	Committee Referral: LAB, HED, FIN	Date: 2/15/18		
<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)				
HED Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. McKELVEY, Angus L.K. (C)	✓			
2. HASHEM, Mark J. (VC)	✓			
3. CREAGAN, Richard P.	✓			
4. ING, Kaniela				✓
5. KONG, Sam Satoru				✓
6. LEARMONT, Lei R.		✓		
7. OHNO, Takashi	✓			
8. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	✓			
9. QUINLAN, Sean				✓
10. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
11. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	✓			
TOTAL (11)	7	1	0	3
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 10pt;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Mark J. Hash</u>				
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