

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2585
S.D. 2
H.D. 1

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
S.B. No. 2585, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to allow graduate student
assistants employed by the University of Hawaii to protect their
interests in the workplace by:

- (1) Establishing a collective bargaining unit for graduate
student assistants employed by the University of Hawaii;
- (2) Specifying that student help and part-time employees who
are not graduate student assistants employed by the
University of Hawaii are excluded from the collective
bargaining unit for University of Hawaii graduate
student assistants; and
- (3) Including the newly-created bargaining unit in
collective bargaining statutes.

The University of Hawaii Professional Assembly; IMUAlliance;
Hawaii State Teachers Association; Hawaii Government Employees
Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO; Hawaii State AFL-CIO;



International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local Union 1260, AFL-CIO; Hawai'i Construction Alliance; IATSE Local 665; Americans for Democratic Action; Academic Labor United; Young Progressives Demanding Action; Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i; Democratic Party of Hawaii Labor Caucus; and numerous individuals supported this measure. The University of Hawaii and Department of Budget and Finance opposed this measure. The Employees' Retirement System and Office of Collective Bargaining offered comments on this measure.

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 S.B. No. 2585, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, Chair



