

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1452

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 2019

RE: H.B. No. 1547
H.D. 2
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
H.B. No. 1547, H.D. 2, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate
funds for:

- (1) The University of Hawaii to provide all student-athletes
enrolled at the university with two additional meals per
day; and
- (2) The University of Hawaii athletics program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the University of Hawai'i System.

Your Committee finds that educational institutions that are
Division I members of the National Collegiate Athletic
Association, such as the University of Hawaii, are allowed to
provide meals to student-athletes as a benefit incidental to
participation in intercollegiate athletics. Additionally, these
institutions are also allowed to provide a student-athlete with
financial aid, including a board allowance consisting of the value



of the maximum meal plan that is available to students. Although the National Collegiate Athletic Association allows for incidental meals and snacks for student-athletes out of season, the University of Hawaii only provides its student-athletes with one meal per day incidental to participation while the student-athletes are in season. This measure would provide support to ensure the health and wellness of student-athletes at the University of Hawaii.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying findings related to the bylaws of the National Collegiate Athletic Association that allow Division I members to provide incidental meals to student-athletes;
- (2) Specifying that the appropriated funds shall be used to provide all student-athletes at the University of Hawaii with a meal incidental to competition and snacks as permitted by National Collegiate Athletics Association bylaws;
- (3) Specifying that if the appropriated funds are used to provide meals for student-athletes incidental to participation to competition during the off-season, the incidental meal shall be in conjunction with a team workout;
- (4) Specifying that the appropriated funds shall cover up to seventy-five percent of the costs associated with providing meals incidental to competition and snacks for student-athletes;
- (5) Specifying that an athletic fundraising entity associated with the University of Hawaii, such as Ahahui Koa Ānuenue, the University of Hawaii athletics department, or extramural funding shall cover twenty-five percent of the costs associated with providing meals incidental to competition and snacks for student-athletes;
- (6) Deleting language that would have appropriated funds for the University of Hawaii athletics program; and



- (7) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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. 1547, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1547, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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



DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



The Senate
Thirtieth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Higher Education
HRE

Bill / Resolution No.:* HB 1547 HD2	Committee Referral: HRE, WAM	Date: 3/19/19		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i				/
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt				/
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Michelle N. Kidani</i>				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes