STAND. COM. REP. NO. 48

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 0 4 2019

S.R. No. 120 RE:

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 S.R. No. 120 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII OFFICE OF INTERNAL AUDIT TO CONDUCT AN AUDIT OF VARIOUS PROGRAMS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII WEST OAHU THAT RECEIVE EXTRAMURAL FUNDING, INCLUDING TITLE III GRANT FUNDING, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the University of Hawaii Office of Internal Audit to conduct an audit of various programs at the University of Hawaii West Oahu that receive extramural funding, including Title III grant funding.

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

Your Committee finds that the University of Hawaii West Oahu provides various programs to assist incoming and current students. Many of these programs receive extramural funding, including Title III grant funding, for the further development of Native Hawaiian student support services. However, discrepancies in information provided by the University of Hawaii West Oahu on various programs were found, from initial documentation on the programs to followup documentation, as well as inconsistencies in the reporting of extramural funds. Because some of these programs utilize federal funds, further due diligence is needed to make certain that the

funds are not lost due to mismanagement or abuse. To ensure an accurate accounting of all funds by the University of Hawaii West Oahu, an audit of the various programs at the University that receive extramural funding, including Title III grant funding, would clarify whether funds are being utilized appropriately for the benefit of the students.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Higher Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 120 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

Jenne Mercado Ka

DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair

## The Senate Thirtieth Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

## Record of Votes Committee on Higher Education HRE

Bill / Resolution No.:* SR 120	Committee Referral:			Date: 3/21/19		
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  If so, then the previous decision was to:						
The Recommendation is:						
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313						
Members		Aye	Aye (W	R) l	Nay	Excused
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)						
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)						
KAHELE, Kaiali'i						
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.						
FEVELLA, Kurt						
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TOTAL		4				1
Recommendation:  Adopted  Not Adopted						
Chair's or Designee's Signature:						
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