

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1537

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 27 2019

RE: S.R. No. 59
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
S.R. No. 59 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII JOHN
A. BURNS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE TO STUDY THE IMPACT AND
FEASIBILITY OF CREATING A TEACHING HOSPITAL IN WEST HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to encourage the
University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine to study the
impact and feasibility of creating a teaching hospital in West
Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Office of the Mayor of the County of Hawai'i. Your
Committee received comments on this measure from the University of
Hawai'i System.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii faces a growing shortage of
physicians who can provide direct care to patients. Additionally,
the County of Hawaii has a large and medically underserved rural
community. Your Committee further finds that a teaching hospital
on Hawaii island may help to attract and retain a high-quality,
diverse physician workforce to the State and provide a broader and
more complete network of care for individuals in the community.
Therefore, because of the potential benefits of a teaching
hospital on Hawaii island, it is important to investigate the




feasibility and impact that establishing a teaching hospital may have on the Hawaii island community and the State.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting language that requests the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine to collaborate with the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation to conduct the study on the impact and feasibility of creating a teaching hospital in West Hawaii;
- (2) Amending its title accordingly; and
- (3) 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 concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 59, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 59, S.D. 1.

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
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SR 59	Committee Referral: HRE, WAM	Date: 3/21/19		
<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	4			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">Michelle N. Kidani</div>				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes