

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2175

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 14 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2690

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2020  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred  
S.B. No. 2690 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to encourage  
University of Hawai'i Maui students to study abroad in other  
countries by appropriating \$37,500 for scholarships that subsidize  
travel expenses and tuition.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the University of Hawai'i System and one member of the Maui  
County Council.

Your Committee finds that students studying abroad gain  
foreign languages skills and cross-cultural competence and develop  
economic and educational relationships in an increasingly  
globalized world. According to testimony received by your  
Committee, studying abroad also maximizes the global learning and  
stimulates the enrollment of international students at each  
partnering institution. However, the major challenge for most  
interested students is cost.

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. 2690 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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



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DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



The Senate  
Thirtieth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Higher Education**  
**HRE**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <i>SB 2690</i>	Committee Referral: <i>HRE, WAM</i>	Date: <i>2-11-20</i>		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input 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	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>2</b>
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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