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RE: S.B. No. 2142
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 2142, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMPUTER SCIENCE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Allow Department of Education students to fulfill high school diploma requirements by taking world language, fine arts, career and technical education, or computer science credits;
- (2) Establish a Computer Science in Teaching Scholarship Program at the University of Hawaii to encourage students earning an education degree to take a computer science course;
- (3) Require the University of Hawaii to establish computer science pathways for students earning an education degree;
- (4) Require programs leading to teacher licensing and certification to include certain computer science instruction; and



- (5) Appropriate funds for the University of Hawaii Computer Science in Teaching Scholarship Program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from HawaiiKidsCAN, Oceanit, Code.org, Hawai'i Society for Technology in Education, Broadband Hui, Maui Chamber of Commerce, and seven individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Board of Education and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the University of Hawai'i College of Education, Department of Budget and Finance, Department of Education, and Hawaii State Teachers Association.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2142, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



