

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

**2415**

Honolulu, Hawaii

**FEB 17 2022**

RE: S.B. No. 3340  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2022  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred  
S.B. No. 3340 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII MAUI  
COLLEGE, MOLOKAI EDUCATION CENTER,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate  
funds to the University of Hawaii Maui College to lease 14.5 acres  
of land from Kamehameha Schools in Kalamaula, Molokai to expand  
and relocate the Molokai Education Center.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the University of Hawai'i System, one individual from the Maui  
County Council, and Kamehameha Schools Bishop Estate. Your  
Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of  
Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that it is of paramount importance to  
ensure the necessary space and resources for Hawaii students of  
all ages to learn and thrive in academic environments. As sea-  
level rise impacts caused by climate change impact many low-lying  
communities across Hawaii, the State has a responsibility to  
ensure proper planning and resource management for the future of  
academic institutions and educational opportunities for the  
students of Hawaii.



The importance and prioritization of education has led to enrollment at near-capacity for the University of Hawaii Maui College, Molokai Education Center. As the campus faces some challenges accommodating a high volume of students, the Molokai Education Center is also located in a low-lying area susceptible to sea level rise. Relocating the Molokai Education Center would allow for the education of Hawaii's students to continue while also mitigating impacts from climate change-induced sea level rise. To address these concerns, this measure appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii Maui College to relocate the Molokai Education Center to land owned by Kamehameha Schools.

Your Committee has amended this measure by 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 S.B. No. 3340, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3340, 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,



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DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-First Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
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| Bill / Resolution No.:*<br><b>SB 3340</b>  | Committee Referral:<br><b>HRE, WAM</b> | Date:<br><b>2-15-22</b> |     |         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.<br>If so, then the previous decision was to: _____  |  |                         |     |         |
| The Recommendation is:<br><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)   | ✓                                      |                         |     |         |
| KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.   | ✓                                      |                         |     |         |
| WAKAI, Glenn   | ✓                                      |                         |     |         |
| FEVELLA, Kurt  | ✓                                      |                         |     |         |
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| Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted   |  |                         |     |         |
| Chair's or Designee's Signature:<br><div style="text-align:center; font-family: cursive; font-size: 1.2em;">Michelle N. Kidani</div>   |  |                         |     |         |
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