

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

**2328**

Honolulu, Hawaii

**FEB 15 2022**

RE: S.B. No. 3374

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. 3374 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate  
funds for the University of Hawaii Workforce Development Program  
for administration, training, positions, and student support.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the University of Hawai'i System and one individual. Your  
Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of  
Budget and Finance and one individual.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii's community colleges play a  
critical role in the economic recovery and revitalization of the  
State, including support for residents, by providing opportunities  
to improve their employment prospects. The development of a  
skilled workforce helps companies and nonprofit organizations meet  
the community's needs and survive and thrive as businesses.  
Hawaii's community college faculty and administrators work with  
employers, industry associations, economic development leaders,  
and community organizations to develop and offer workforce  
training programs and credit-bearing educational programs to offer  
residents different, enriching pathways to achieve educational or  
career goals with industry-recognized credentials and valuable



experience. To support the community colleges and their role in workforce development and revitalization, this measure appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii Workforce Development Program for administration, training, positions, and student support.

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. 3374 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,



DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



