

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2513**

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 16 2024

RE: S.B. No. 3191

S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
S.B. No. 3191 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to permanently
authorize the University of Hawaii to continue to regulate
conflicts of interest and other ethical issues for technology
transfer activities sponsored by the University of Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the University of Hawai'i System.

Your Committee finds that students, faculty, and alumni of
the University of Hawaii generate numerous inventions and
discoveries in various fields. Act 38, Session Laws of Hawaii
2017, established an exemption for technology transfer activities
sponsored by the University of Hawaii from certain requirements of
the State Ethics Code, which is currently scheduled to repeal on
June 30, 2024. To codify existing requirements, the University of
Hawaii has adopted a regent's policy, executive policy, and
administrative procedures to assure compliance. Therefore, this
measure makes the technology transfer requirements permanent to
ensure continuity of existing practices while establishing the



University of Hawaii as a driver of economic health and workforce development in the State.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment 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. 3191, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3191, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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



DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Higher Education
HRE

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 3191	Committee Referral: HRE, JDC	Date: 02-13-24		
<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)	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.				/
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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