

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1629

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 27 , 2025

RE: H.R. No. 66

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
H.R. No. 66 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII PRESIDENT
AND BOARD OF REGENTS TO ESTABLISH A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN
NURSING PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII MAUI CAMPUS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the University of
Hawaii President and Board of Regents to establish a Bachelor of
Science in Nursing program at the University of Hawaii Maui
College.

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

Your Committee finds that the demand for healthcare services
in Maui County is increasing due to a growing and aging
population. Your Committee further finds that the University of
Hawaii Maui College currently offers a Practical Nurse Certificate
of Achievement and an Associate in Science in Nursing degree,
which prepare students for entry-level nursing positions.
Students who complete the Associate in Science in Nursing Program
have the opportunity to earn a Bachelor of Science in Nursing
degree through the University of Hawaii at Manoa. However, your
Committee believes that establishing a dedicated Bachelor of

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Science in Nursing program at the University of Hawaii Maui College will provide Maui residents with an uninterrupted pathway for more advanced nursing knowledge along with greater advancement opportunities.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Higher Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 66 and recommends its adoption.

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

For *Jerzy Anst*

ANDREW TAKUYA GARRETT, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Higher Education

Bill/Resolution No.: HR 66	Committee Referral: HED	Date: 03/19/25
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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.

The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold
 Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)

HED Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. GARRETT, Andrew Takuya (C)	✓			
2. AMATO, Terez (VC)	✓			
3. EVSLIN, Luke A.	✓			
4. KAPELA, Jeanne				✓
5. KILA, Darius K.	✓			
6. LA CHICA, Trish	✓			
7. OLDS, Ikaika	✓			
8. SAYAMA, Jackson D.				✓
9. WOODSON, Justin H.	✓			
10. MURAOKA, Christopher L.	✓			
11. SOUZA, Kanani	✓			
TOTAL (11)	9	-	-	2

The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation.
committee acronym(s)

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____