

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2068

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 14 , 2025

RE: S.C.R. No. 63

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

Madame:

Your Committee on Labor, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 63
entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF
LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS TO STUDY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF
A HAWAII WORKFORCE EXCELLENCE AWARD PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of
Labor and Industrial Relations to study the establishment of a
Hawaii Workforce Excellence Award Program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.

Your Committee finds that there is often a societal emphasis
on college degrees and white-collar careers, overshadowing the
value of skilled trades. Your Committee further finds that a
Hawaii-based program like the Meilleur Ouvrier de France, a
historic competition to recognize and revitalize traditional
craftsmanship in France, would elevate the importance and prestige
of trades, promote career paths that do not require a traditional
four-year degree, and highlight the wide range of opportunities
within the skilled labor market. Your Committee believes that the
Program would shift public perception of vocational and skilled
trades by presenting them as prestigious and valuable career paths
and encourage young people to pursue these fields.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 63 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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


JACKSON D. SANYAMA, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Thirty-third Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Labor

Bill/Resolution No.: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">SCR 63</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-weight: bold;">LAB, FIN</div>	Date: 4-11-25		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
LAB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. SAYAMA, Jackson D. (C)	/			
2. LEE, Mike (VC)	/			
3. GARRETT, Andrew Takuya				/
4. KAPELA, Jeanne	/			
5. KONG, Sam Satoru	/			
6. REYES ODA, Julie	/			
TOTAL (6)	5			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 0.8em;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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