

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 63

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Labor and Technology, 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 and intent 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 promoting a diverse marketplace is fundamental to the State's goals of fostering workforce development and sustainable economic growth. A successfully diverse economy includes manual trades and craftwork, which are often overlooked due to social stigmas. France formulated a unique solution to this issue through the Meilleur Ouvrier de France competition, which preserves and celebrates French heritage and craftsmanship by awarding titles in dozens of crafts, including woodworking and floristry. The success of the competition demonstrates that honoring and preserving high standards of craftsmanship, skill, and professionalism in various trades is a valuable initiative to meet broader economic goals. Therefore, this measure examines how the State may develop a



similar program by requesting the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to study the establishment of a Hawaii Workforce Excellence Award Program.

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

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




HENRY J.C. AQUINO, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Third Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <i>CL</i> 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
AQUINO, Henry J.C. (C)	x			
LEE, Chris (VC)	x			
IHARA, Jr., Les				x
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.	x			
FEVELLA, Kurt				x
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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