

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 718
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 718, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO POSITIONS AT THE JOHN A. BURNS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate moneys to the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine for additional faculty and staff positions.

Specifically, this measure provides funding for:

- (1) Faculty positions in the fields of cardiovascular biology, tropical medicine, and quantitative health biostatistics; and
- (2) An environmental health and safety officer staff position.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Health Planning and Development Agency, University of Hawaii System, Hawaii Primary Care Association, University of Hawaii Professional Assembly, and two individuals.

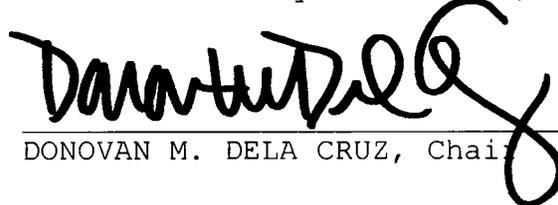


Your Committee finds that establishing additional faculty positions in the fields of cardiovascular biology, tropical medicine, and quantitative health biostatistics at the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine (JABSOM) will support important biomedical research and advance JABSOM's mission to train highly qualified health care workers for the State and the Pacific region. Your Committee further finds that establishment of a health and safety officer position to maintain equipment will allow JABSOM to continue providing uninterrupted chiller plant-cooling services and fulfilling reporting requirements.

Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion on the measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 718, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 718, H.D. 1, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-Third Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:* HB718 HD1	Committee Referral: HRE, WAM	Date: 4/2/2025		
<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
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	X			
DECOITE, Lynn	X			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	X			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
TOTAL	13	0	0	0
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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