

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 27 , 2025

RE: H.C.R. No. 31

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.C.R. No. 31 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF
HAWAII TO EXPLORE THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING AN
ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE RESEARCH CENTER AND IDENTIFY THE
REQUIREMENTS FOR RECEIVING FEDERAL FUNDING FROM THE NATIONAL
INSTITUTE ON AGING FOR ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE RESEARCH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure to request the University of
Hawaii to explore the feasibility of establishing an Alzheimer's
Disease Research Center and identify the requirements for
receiving federal funding from the National Institute on Aging for
Alzheimer's disease research.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Executive Office on Aging and Alzheimer's Association
Hawaii Chapter. Your Committee received comments on this measure
from the John A. Burns School of Medicine of the University of
Hawai'i at Mānoa.

Your Committee finds that Alzheimer's disease is a
significant public health issue affecting millions of Americans,
including many residents of the State. Your Committee further
finds that the National Institute on Aging-designated Alzheimer's
Disease Research Centers are a national resource for research on

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the nature of Alzheimer's disease and related dementias and the development of more effective approaches to prevention, diagnosis, care, and therapy. Your Committee believes that exploring the feasibility of establishing of an Alzheimer's Disease Research Center in Hawaii is warranted, as the establishment of a Center would advance scientific research, improve diagnosis and treatment, and provide better care for those suffering from Alzheimer's disease.

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.C.R. No. 31 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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


FOR ANDREW TAKUYA GARRETT, Chair



