STAND. COM. REP. NO. 106

Honolulu, Hawaii March 23, 2011

RE: S.B. No. 243 S.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2011 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 243, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE WESTERN INTERSTATE COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to help improve the return rates of Hawaii residents who receive state support to study in certain professional programs that are not provided in the State through the University of Hawaii system by providing the Hawaii Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE) with the authority to establish a repayment policy for students who receive support through the WICHE Professional Student Exchange Program (PSEP). This bill also more clearly delineates the Hawaii WICHE, and establishes a special fund to facilitate the repayment program.

The WICHE Commissioners supported the intent of this bill. The Department of Budget and Finance provided comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Higher Education that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 243, S.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.



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

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NISHIMOTO, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Higher Education

| Bill/Resolution No.: SB 243, SD 2 | Committee Referral: HED, F/N | Date: | Date: MAR 17, 2011 | |
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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 Image: Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) | | | | |
| HED Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (C) | × | | | |
| 2. NAKASHIMA, Mark M. (VC) | × | | | |
| 3. AQUINO, Henry J.C. | X | | | |
| 4. AWANA, Karen L. | × | | | |
| 5. BELATTI, Della Au | × | | | |
| 6. CHANG, Jerry L. | | | | X |
| 7. HANOHANO, Faye P. | | | | X |
| 8. MIZUNO, John M. | X | | | - <u>-</u> |
| 9. SAIKI, Scott K. | X | | | |
| 10. TAKAI, K. Mark | X | | | |
| 11. TAKUMI, Roy M. | X | | | |
| 12. WOOLEY, Jessica | | | | × |
| 13. CHING, Corinne W.L. | | | | X |
| 14. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling | X | | | |
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| The recommendation is: Adopted Interview Adopted Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: | | | | |
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