Honolulu, Hawaii

February 20, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 96 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2015 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 96 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish statutorily the Office of the Ombuds at the University of Hawaii at Manoa.

The University of Hawaii at Manoa Graduate Student Organization, University of Hawaii Student Caucus, Hawaii Educational Policy Center, and numerous concerned individuals supported this measure. The University of Hawaii and a concerned individual submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 1, 2525, to facilitate further discussion.

Should your Committee on Finance deliberate this measure further, your Committee respectfully requests that it consider appropriating \$130,000 for the position of the ombuds and \$80,000 for two support positions.

Your Committee also notes that it is worthwhile to consider having the functions of the Office of the Ombuds at the University of Hawaii at Manoa be undertaken by the Office of the Ombudsman of the Legislature.

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 H.B. No. 96, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 96, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

ÍSAAC W. CHOY, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-eighth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Higher Education

| Bill/Resolution No.: | Committee Referral: | Date | | |
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| HB 96 | HED, FIN | <i>!</i> | 2/5/15 | |
| ☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure. | | | | |
| The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit) | | | | |
| HED Members | Ayes | Ayes (WR) | Nays | Excused |
| 1. CHOY, Isaac W. (C) | / | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | n - 1 d d d | |
| 2. ICHIYAMA, Linda (VC) | ✓ | | | |
| 3. AQUINO, Henry J.C. | ✓ | | 1 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 1 | |
| 4. ING, Kaniela | / | | 1 | |
| 5. ITO, Ken | | | | |
| 6. KONG, Sam Satoru | ✓ | | - | |
| 7. LOPRESTI, Matthew S. | ✓ | | | |
| 8. OHNO, Takashi | ✓ | | | |
| 9. SAY, Calvin K.Y. | | | | |
| 10. TAKUMI, Roy M. | ✓ | | | |
| 11. TSUЛ, Clift | ✓ | | | - |
| 12. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohi | | | | / |
| 13. TUPOLA, Andria P.L. | ✓ | | | |
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| The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted f joint referral, committee acronym(s) Adopted did not support recommendation. | | | | |
| Vice Chair's or designee's signature: | | | | |
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