STAND. COM. REP. NO. (768)

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 0 8 , 2021

RE: S.C.R. No. 67 S.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education & Technology, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 67, S.D. 1, entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING OCTOBER 4 THROUGH OCTOBER 8, 2021, AS DIGITAL INCLUSION WEEK IN THE STATE OF HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to recognize October 4 through October 8, 2021, as Digital Inclusion Week in the State.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism.

Your Committee finds that the coronavirus disease 2019 pandemic has highlighted the need for affordable, high-speed Internet. Your Committee also finds that the need for availability and access to high-speed broadband services for all and the need to close the digital divide have become glaringly apparent. Affordable, reliable, high-speed broadband is imperative for individuals to work, learn, access and deliver health care, stay connected, and communicate. Digital Inclusion Week will help raise awareness of and attention to the need for digital equity and digital inclusion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Higher Education & Technology that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 67, S.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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

GREGO TANAYAMA, Chair

## State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-first Legislature

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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Higher Education & Technology

Bill/Resolution No.: Committee Referral: Date: 4-7-21				
☐ 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)				
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Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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