

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **872** -22

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 1561
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1561, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish an Adult Workforce Readiness Program to provide opportunities for students to earn associate degrees, workforce development diplomas, and industry-recognized certificates;
- (2) Require the Department of Education to designate schools to participate in the Program; and
- (3) Appropriate funds for the Program and to establish and hire two full-time equivalent Adult Workforce Readiness Program Coordinators.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education, Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities, McKinley Community School for Adults, Waipahu Community School for Adults, Chamber of Commerce Hawaii, Susannah Wesley Community Center, Hawaii State Teachers Association, Society of Human Resource Management Hawaii, and

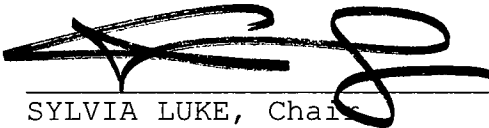
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numerous individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance and University of Hawai'i System.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1561, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Finance,



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: <i>HB 1561 HD1</i>	Committee Referral: <i>EDN, FIN</i>	Date: <i>2-25-2022</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)	—			
2. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (VC)	—			
3. BRANCO, Patrick Pihana				—
4. ELI, Stacelynn K.M.	—			
5. HOLT, Daniel	—			
6. ILAGAN, Greggor	—			
7. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand	—			
8. MARTEN, Lisa	—			
9. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	—			
10. PERRUSO, Amy A.	—			
11. SAYAMA, Jackson D.	—			
12. TAM, Adrian K.	—			
13. TODD, Chris	—			
14. WILDBERGER, Tina	—			
15. McDERMOTT, Bob	—			
TOTAL (15)	<i>14</i>			<i>1</i>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: -20px;"></div>				
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