

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1553

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 04 2023

RE: S.C.R. No. 79
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
S.C.R. No. 79 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII
TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO CREATE A PLAN FOR THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF A MARITIME COLLEGE AND TO ESTABLISH A
MARITIME COLLEGE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the
University of Hawaii to convene a working group to create a plan
for the establishment of a maritime college and to establish a
maritime college.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the International Longshore and Warehouse Union Local 142.
Your Committee received comments on this measure from the
University of Hawai'i System.

Your Committee finds that maritime colleges combine critical
career technical training with the well-rounded curriculum of a
baccalaureate degree program to prepare individuals for maritime
careers. Despite a shortage of mariners in the State, Hawaii does
not have a maritime college. Given that many Hawaii residents
cannot afford to attend college outside of the State, establishing
a state maritime college would increase access to the education
necessary for maritime careers for Hawaii residents and would



allow Hawaii's maritime industry to hire skilled workers from within the State, rather than from outside of Hawaii. This measure therefore addresses the lack of educational maritime opportunities in the State to help develop a robust, highly skilled local mariner workforce.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Deleting legislative findings suggesting that this body considers all offshore energy production to be marine energy; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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 S.C.R. No. 79, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 79, S.D. 1.

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




DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Higher Education
HRE

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SCR 79	HRE	3/30/23		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIM, Donna Mercado (C)	✓			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol				✓
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.				✓
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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