

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 3192
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
S.B. No. 3192 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to make permanent
the Innovation and Commercialization Initiative Program
established within the University of Hawaii.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the University of Hawai'i System.

Your Committee finds that the University of Hawaii has the
statutory authority to sponsor and directly participate in the
transformation of innovations created by university researchers
into viable commercial enterprises. However, to remain
competitive with other institutions across the United States while
supporting the State's economy, the University of Hawaii requires
a robust university-level research program to support commercial
innovation. This measure continues critical research conducted by
the University of Hawaii to support key economic drivers of the
State and workforce development initiatives.



Your Committee has amended this measure by making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment 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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3192, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3192, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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



DONNA MERCADO KIM, Chair



