

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1576

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 27 , 2025

RE: H.R. No. 189  
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred  
H.R. No. 189 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII  
COMMUNITY COLLEGES TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF  
BACHELOR'S DEGREE PROGRAMS THAT DIRECTLY ALIGN WITH JOB  
OPPORTUNITIES AND INDUSTRY NEEDS WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE  
REGION OF SERVICE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the University of  
Hawaii Community Colleges to develop a comprehensive list of  
Bachelor's degree programs that directly align with job  
opportunities and industry needs within their respective region of  
service.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the  
University of Hawai'i System and University of Hawaii Professional  
Assembly.

Your Committee finds that the Hawaii's economic vitality  
depends on a skilled workforce that meets the needs of key  
regional industries. Your Committee further finds that each of  
the University of Hawaii Community Colleges play a vital role in  
providing accessible, regionally-relevant higher education that  
supports local economic development. Your Committee believes that

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the University of Hawaii Community Colleges can best support the economic needs within their respective region of service by developing a comprehensive list of Bachelor's degree programs that directly align with job opportunities and industry needs within their respective region of service.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the University of Hawaii Community Colleges, including the University of Hawaii Maui College, are requested to develop a comprehensive list of Bachelor's degree programs that directly align with job opportunities and industry needs within their respective region of service;
- (2) Directing a certified copy of this measure to the Chancellor of the University of Hawaii Maui College;
- (3) Amending its title in accordance with its amended purpose; and
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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 H.R. No. 189, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Labor in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 189, H.D. 1.

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

For   
ANDREW TAKUYA GARRETT, Chair



