

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2068

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 14 , 2025

RE: S.C.R. No. 63

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

Madame:

Your Committee on Labor, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 63  
entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF  
LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS TO STUDY THE ESTABLISHMENT OF  
A HAWAII WORKFORCE EXCELLENCE AWARD PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of  
Labor and Industrial Relations to study the establishment of a  
Hawaii Workforce Excellence Award Program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.

Your Committee finds that there is often a societal emphasis  
on college degrees and white-collar careers, overshadowing the  
value of skilled trades. Your Committee further finds that a  
Hawaii-based program like the Meilleur Ouvrier de France, a  
historic competition to recognize and revitalize traditional  
craftsmanship in France, would elevate the importance and prestige  
of trades, promote career paths that do not require a traditional  
four-year degree, and highlight the wide range of opportunities  
within the skilled labor market. Your Committee believes that the  
Program would shift public perception of vocational and skilled  
trades by presenting them as prestigious and valuable career paths  
and encourage young people to pursue these fields.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 63 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

  
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JACKSON D. SNYAMA, Chair



