

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 10780-26

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 06 , 2026

RE: H.B. No. 1574  
H.D. 2

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2026  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1574, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HEALTHCARE EDUCATION LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish minimum service duration requirements based on the total amount of loan repayment assistance received for participants in the Healthcare Education Loan Repayment program who receive new awards on or after July 1, 2027.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of the Governor; Office of Hawaiian Affairs; University of Hawaii at Manoa John A. Burns School of Medicine; State Health Planning and Development Agency; Hawai'i State Center for Nursing; Hawai'i Pacific Health; The Queen's Health Systems; Hawaii Medical Association; Hawaii Substance Abuse Coalition; Navian Hawaii; Hawaii Dental Association; Healthcare Association of Hawaii; Hawai'i Association of Professional Nurses; Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center; Hawaii Affiliate of the American College of Nurse-Midwives; 'Ohi'a Midwifery & Wellness, LLC; and Lehua Community Birth Center.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

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- (1) Formally establishing the Healthcare Education Loan Repayment Program in statute;
- (2) Clarifying that participants in the program that receive a new award on or after July 1, 2027, are subject to the new minimum service duration requirements; and
- (3) 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 Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1574, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1574, H.D. 2.

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



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CHRIS TODD, Chair



