

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3653**

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 09 2026

RE: H.B. No. 2158
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2158, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to promote data-informed decision making by providing University of Hawaii students, families, and policymakers with clear and actionable information on academic outcomes by program.

More specifically, this measure requires the University of Hawaii to:

- (1) Collect certain program-level data for each academic program offered systemwide;
- (2) Maintain a publicly accessible, systemwide online dashboard that presents the program-level data;
- (3) Incorporate the program-level data into the Board of Regents' existing academic program review, planning, and prioritization processes; and
- (4) Submit an annual report to the Legislature.

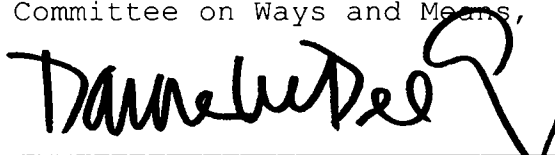


Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the University of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that some program-level data for the campuses of the University of Hawaii is collected and used by the campuses for various purposes. Your Committee notes, however, that this data is incomplete and is not integrated or readily accessible to students, families, and policymakers. Your Committee believes that the coordinated collection, integration, and accessible presentation of program-level data required by this measure will better inform decision making and policy setting, and will provide vital information for consideration by students and families.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2158, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,

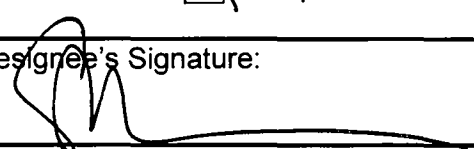


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 2158, HD1, SD1	EDU, WAM	4/6/2026		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	X			
DECOITE, Lynn	X			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	X			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris				X
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim"	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
TOTAL	12	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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