

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1162 -26

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 06 , 2026

RE: H.B. No. 2468
H.D. 1

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. 2468, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Require experience gained by an intern in a State Internship and Workforce Development Program to be applied toward experience needed to meet minimum qualifications for civil service positions;
- (2) Authorize the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to contract with trade organizations for on-the-job training;
- (3) Remove restrictive eligibility requirements for interns, aligning internship experience with civil service minimum qualification requirements;
- (4) Require the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and Department of Human Resources Development to develop guidelines for participation in an internship program;

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- (5) Transfer certain program responsibilities to the Department of Human Resources Development; and
- (6) Appropriate funds.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations; Department of Human Resources Development; Department of Education; University of Hawai'i System; Chamber of Commerce Hawaii; Hawai'i Primary Care Association; and Hawai'i Alliance of Nonprofit Organizations. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of the Attorney General.

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. 2468, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



CHRIS TODD, Chair



