

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 7, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 909

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2017  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development & Business, to which was referred H.B. No. 909 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to direct the University of Hawaii (University) to study and develop plans to establish and implement a center for commercialization at the University of Hawaii.

A concerned individual supported this bill. The University of Hawaii supported the intent of this measure. A concerned individual opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Statutorily establishing a Center for Commercialization (Center) at the University of Hawaii, rather than directing the University to conduct a study and develop implementation plans for the Center;
- (2) Amending requirements for the University's report to the Legislature; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development & Business that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 909, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 909, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Higher Education.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Economic  
Development & Business,



MARK M. NAKASHIMA, Chair



