

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 18, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 1529
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred
H.B. No. 1529, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to allow graduate student assistants employed by the University of Hawaii to collectively bargain their wages, hours, and other terms of employment.

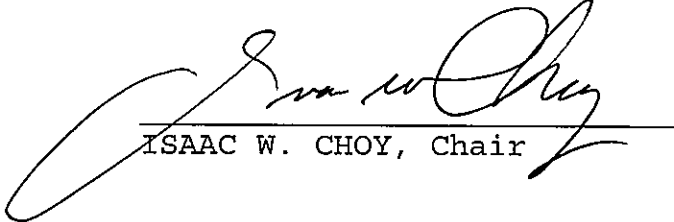
Among other things, this measure requires representatives from the University of Hawaii and exclusive representatives of bargaining units for employees at the University of Hawaii to meet to discuss, determine, and agree on the scope of negotiable items, and report their findings and recommendations to the Legislature for its consideration.

The University of Hawaii at Manoa Graduate Student Organization; Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO; Hawaii State AFL-CIO; and one concerned individual supported this measure. The Department of Budget and Finance, Office of Collective Bargaining, and the University of Hawaii System opposed this measure.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Higher Education that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1529, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Higher Education,


ISAAC W. CHOY, Chair



