

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 227-08

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 8, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2706
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Higher Education and Health, to which was referred H.B. No. 2706 entitled:

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

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to address a nursing shortage and provide incentives for students to choose a career in registered nursing in Hawaii by establishing a loan forgiveness program for individuals who receive a nursing degree from the University of Hawaii (UH) and are employed in the state as registered nurses.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs testified in support of this bill. UH opposed this measure.

Your Committees note that an agency other than UH may be more appropriate to administer the loan forgiveness program.

Your Committees have amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to January 1, 2050; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

HB2706 HD1 HSCR HED-HLT HMS 2008-1854

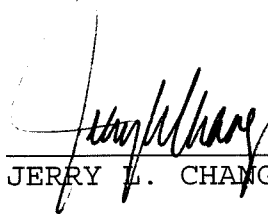


As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Higher Education and Health that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2706, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2706, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Higher Education
and Health,



JOSHUA B. GREEN, M.D., Chair



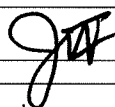
JERRY L. CHANG, Chair



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The Twenty-fourth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Higher Education

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2706	Committee Referral: HED/HLT, FIN	Date: 02/05/08		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HED Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CHANG, Jerry L. (C)	✓			
2. BERTRAM, Joe, III (VC)	✓			
3. BERG, Lyla B., Ph.D.	✓			
4. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.	✓			
5. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
6. SAIKI, Scott K.	✓			
7. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L.	✓			
8. TAKAI, K. Mark	✓			
9. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.	✓			
10. TAKUMI, Roy M.	✓			
11. WAKAI, Glenn				✓
12. CHING, Corinne W.L.	✓			
13. FINNEGAN, Lynn				✓
TOTAL (13)	12/11			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; margin-left: 150px;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u></u>				
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