Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2021  
State of Hawaii  

Sir:  

Your Committee on Economic Development, to which was referred H.R. No. 69 entitled:  

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO ESTABLISH A JOB CORPS PROGRAM TO HELP ADDRESS UNEMPLOYMENT IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND SUPPORT ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION,"  

begs leave to report as follows:  

The purpose of this measure is to urge the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to establish a Job Corps Program to help address unemployment impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and support economic diversification.  

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Kupu and Young Democrats of Hawai‘i. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; and Workforce Development Council.  

Your Committee finds that tourism, the State's largest industry, has dropped considerably because of the COVID-19 pandemic, providing a unique opportunity to build a more resilient, equitable, and diversified economy. Establishing a Job Corps Program in the State would provide residents of all ages who have been economically impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic with opportunities to learn new skills and increase their prospects of
employment within resiliency and green sectors, including local agriculture, conservation, climate adaptation, renewable energy, cesspool conversion, and technology.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 69, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 69, H.D. 1.

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

SEAN QUINLAN, Chair
# Record of Votes of the Committee on Economic Development

**Bill/Resolution No.:** HR 69  
**Committee Referral:** ECD, FIN  
**Date:** 3-23-21

- ☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.

**The recommendation is to:**  
☑ Pass, unamended (as is)  
☒ Pass, with amendments (HD)  
☐ Hold  
☐ Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)

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**The recommendation is:**  
☑ Adopted  
☑ Not Adopted

If joint referral, ☒ did not support recommendation.

**Vice Chair's or designee's signature:**

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