

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 23, 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2540
S.D. 2
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 2540, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to assist the Department of Education to more efficiently and effectively use its resources by amending or repealing various sections of Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Specifically, this measure amends or repeals sections that are outdated, impede the Department of Education in meeting its core mission, fall under the purview of the Board of Education, are mandated by federal law and do not require codification in state law, or are covered by another section of the Hawaii Revised Statutes, administrative rules, or Board of Education Policy.

The Office of the Governor and Department of Education supported this bill. The Hawaii Government Employees Association provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Reinstating section 302A-1103, Hawaii Revised Statutes, which delineates principals' authority and responsibility;



- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; 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 Education that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2540, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2540, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



ROY TAKUMI, Chair



