STAND. COM. REP. NO. **238**-22

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 23 , 2022

RE: S.B. No. 2826 S.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2022 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 2826, 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 establish and appropriate funds for a career development success program to provide financial incentives for participating public high schools and charter schools to encourage students enrolled in grades nine through twelve to enroll in and successfully complete qualified industry-credential programs.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education, State Public Charter School Commission, Chamber of Commerce Hawaii, HawaiiKidsCan, Society of Human Resource Management Hawaii, Hawaii Business Roundtable, and three individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that in the current job market, nearly sixty-five percent of available positions require postsecondary credentials. Industry-recognized credentials are important because they teach the specific knowledge and skills required for an occupation or industry and provide full-time employees with industry credentials with more earnings than their uncredentialed

counterparts. Your Committee further finds that Hawaii has critical shortages of qualified local workers in sectors including health, education, air travel, and technology. This measure will establish a career development success program to incentivize high school students to enroll in and successfully complete qualified industry-credential programs and better prepare them for joining Hawaii's workforce.

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. 2826, S.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

JUSTIN H. WOODSON, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-first Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Education

Bill/Resolution No.: SBL826 SOL	Committee Referral: EDN FIN	Date:	3/17/	27
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)				
EDN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. WOODSON, Justin H. (C)				
2. KAPELA, Jeanne (VC)				
3. BELATTI, Della Au	V			
4. CLARK, Linda	V			
5. COSTALES, Luella	V			
6. GANADEN, Sonny				
7. GATES, Cedric Asuega	V			
8. HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	V			
9. OHNO, Takashi				
10. QUINLAN, Sean				
11. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	V	·		
12. YAMANE, Ryan I.	V			
13. OKIMOTO, Val				
TOTAL (13)	12			1
The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted				
If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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