

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 01 , 2024

RE: H.B. No. 1904
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 1904, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to establish a process for school placement for children whose parent or guardian has transferred or is pending transfer from another state to a military installation in Hawaii while on active military duty pursuant to an official military order.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the United States Department of Defense and Hawaii Military Affairs Council. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Education; Department of the Attorney General; Special Education Advisory Council; and one individual.

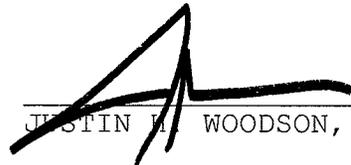
Your Committee finds that military service members are routinely reassigned to new duty stations due to mission and training requirements and receive their official military orders detailing their upcoming assignment thirty days to six months prior to their move. Providing military families greater flexibility to enroll their children in school will help facilitate their uninterrupted educational progress and smooth integration into their new communities.



Your Committee has amended this measure by clarifying that the Department of Education shall accept an application for a child for school or program enrollment and course registration with receipt of a military order, subject to available space.

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 H.B. No. 1904, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1904, H.D. 2.

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


JUSTIN M. WOODSON, Chair



