

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

684

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 18 2025

RE: S.B. No. 529
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 529, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate moneys to the Department of Education for its Hoakea Program.

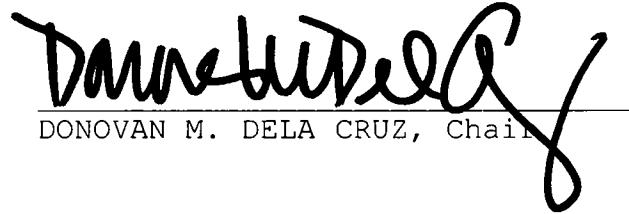
Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Education, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Clever Keiki Hawaii, Education Incubator, Hui O Wa'a Kaulua, Kua'aina Ulu 'Auamo (KUA), Malama Learning Center, and three individuals.

Your Committee finds that providing additional resources will help the Hoakea Program increase its engagement with students and address the rising demand for transformative approaches to learning outside of a formal classroom setting.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 529, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-Third Legislature
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| Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">SB529 SD1</div> | Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">EDU, WAM</div> | Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">2-12-25</div> | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____ | | | | |
| The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 </div> </div> | | | | |
| Members | Aye | Aye (WR) | Nay | Excused |
| DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C) | / | | | |
| MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC) | / | | | |
| AQUINO, Henry J.C. | / | | | |
| DECOITE, Lynn | / | | | |
| ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C. | / | | | |
| HASHIMOTO, Troy N. | / | | | |
| INOUE, Lorraine R. | / | | | |
| KANUHA, Dru Mamo | / | | | |
| KIDANI, Michelle N. | / | | | |
| KIM, Donna Mercado | / | | | |
| LEE, Chris | / | | | |
| WAKAI, Glenn | / | | | |
| FEVELLA, Kurt | / | | | |
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| Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div> | | | | |
| Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive; margin-top: 10px;"> </div> | | | | |
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