

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1067

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 19 2007

RE: H.B. No. 18
H.D. 1
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.B.
No. 18, 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 authorize the Hawaii
Teacher Standards Board to suspend its rules when extenuating
circumstances require and to amend licensing-related fees and set
or amend other charges related to the performance of its duties.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the
Department of Education, the University of Hawaii, the Hawaii
State Teachers Association, and the Hawaii Teacher Standards
Board.

Your Committee finds that the Legislature, pursuant to Act
312, Session Laws of Hawaii 2001, authorized the Hawaii Teacher
Standards Board, among other things, to issue, renew, revoke,
suspend, and reinstate teacher licenses in Hawaii. Your Committee
further finds that the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board has
represented that it has encountered great difficulty with respect
to situations that arise that require the suspension of its rules
in the interest of expeditious and effective operations. However,
the law does not currently provide the Hawaii Teacher Standards
Board with the authority to suspend its rules at any time, even if
to do so would assist the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board in its
ability to perform its duties.

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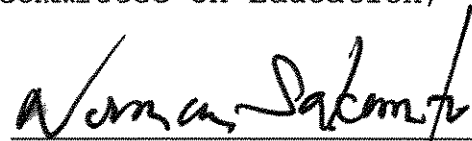
This measure authorizes the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board greater authority over its operations by allowing it to suspend its rules and set and amend fees and charges related to its duties and functions. Your Committee believes that this measure will assist the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board in effectively and efficiently executing its duties and functions. Your Committee previously heard a Senate measure, Senate Bill No. 100, S.D. 1, which is similar to this measure and which addresses concerns raised by the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board regarding the applicability of chapter 92, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by inserting the provisions of Senate Bill No. 100, S.D. 1, which change this measure as follows:

- (1) Allows the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board, in accordance with chapter 92, Hawaii Revised Statutes to:
 - (A) Temporarily suspend its rules; and
 - (B) Amend licensing related fees and set or amend other charges related to the performance of its duties; and
- (2) Changes the effective date to July 1, 2050, with a repeal date of July 1, 2009, to facilitate further discussion on the measure.

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. 18, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 18, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

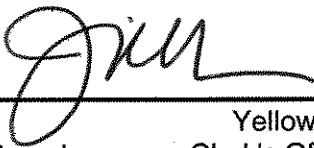


NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Fourth Legislature
State of Hawaii

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:
HB 18 HD1	EDU, WAPA	03/14/07
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____		
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)
SAKAMOTO, Norman (C)	X	
TOKUDA, Jill N. (VC)	X	
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne		
HEE, Clayton		
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.		
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	X	
GABBARD, Mike	X	
TOTAL	4	0
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 		
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