

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 13 2007

RE: S.R. No. 33
S.D. 1

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

Madam:

Your Committees on Education and Intergovernmental and
Military Affairs, to which was referred S.R. No. 33 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO
PROPOSE AMENDMENTS TO THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT OF 2001,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the United States
Congress to propose amendments to the No Child Left Behind Act of
2001.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by the
Department of Education, the Hawaii State Teachers Association,
the Hawaii Association of Independent Schools, the College of
Education Faculty Senate, and four individuals.

Your Committees find that the Department of Education has
been subject to several mandates that have drained resources and
taken the focus away from various programs and objectives under
the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. Your Committees further
find that the No Child Left Behind Act requires a narrow focus on
the basics, which has led to a move away from the implementation
of best practices and cutting edge educational research to achieve
higher test scores. Your Committees determine that the No Child
Left Behind Act also provides unfunded mandates and fails to
concentrate efforts on providing a well-rounded, comprehensive
education for our students. In 2007, the United States Congress
is faced with a decision as to whether to reauthorize the No Child
Left Behind Act, allow the law to lapse, or replace it with a new

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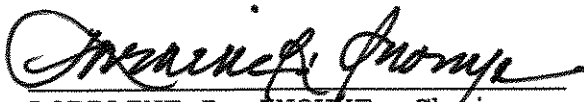
law. Your Committees find that the current provisions of the law should be examined and amended to address the current needs of public schools and public school students to facilitate maximum efficiency and student achievement.

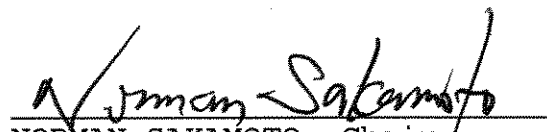
Based on the testimony provided, your Committees believe that further clarification and specification is required and has amended this measure by requesting that, among the issues and amendments the United States Congress should address, are the following:

- (1) Improving teacher quality, preparation, and training;
- (2) Improving assessment measures and systems;
- (3) Improving accountability models, indicators of performance, and consequences;
- (4) Augmenting resources to assist states in efforts to accomplish challenging educational initiatives;
- (5) Supporting innovation, capacity building, and flexibility to address state and local education needs; and
- (6) Returning to original intent and purpose of the *Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA)*.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Education and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 33, as amended herein, and recommend its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.R. No. 33, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Education and
Intergovernmental and Military
Affairs,


LORRAINE R. INOUE, Chair


NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Chair



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☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.
If so, then the previous decision was to: _____

The Recommendation is:

☐ Pass, unamended 2312
 ☒ Pass, with amendments 2311
 ☐ Hold 2310
 ☐ Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
SAKAMOTO, Norman (C)	X			
TOKUDA, Jill N. (VC)	X			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	.			X
HEE, Clayton				X
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.				X
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	X			
GABBARD, Mike	X			
TOTAL	4	0	0	3

Recommendation: ☒ Adopted ☐ Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature: 

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INOUE, Lorraine R. (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred				/
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