STAND. COM. REP. NO. 753

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 0 2 2007

RE: S.B. No. 100

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 Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 100, 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 help increase the number of licensed teachers in Hawaii by making it easier for the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board's to perform its duties efficiently.

More specifically, the measure:

- (1) Authorizes the Board to suspend its policies, rules, and standards in extenuating circumstances; and
- Enables the Board to amend certain fees and charges related to the performance of its duties.

The Department of Education and the University of Hawaii submitted comments in support of this measure. The Hawaii Teachers Standards Board offered comments.

Your Committee finds that an independent governing body like the Hawaii Teachers Standards Board needs flexibility in its operations to license more than 12,000 teachers in the State, particularly with accommodating extenuating circumstances.

Your Committee further finds that this measure will enable the Board to act reasonably and responsibly when questions of license equivalence and revocation are considered.

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. 100, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii

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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 Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
BAKER, Rosalyn H. (C)				
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)				
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne				
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				
FUKUNAGA, Carol				
HOOSER, Gary L.				
KIM, Donna Mercado				
MENOR, Ron				
TOKUDA, Jill N.				
HEMMINGS, Fred				
WHALEN, Paul				
TOTAL	10	0	0	
Recommendation: Adopted Not			lot Adopted	
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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