

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 1250
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education and Housing, to which was referred S.B. No. 1250 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify that unlicensed teachers employed as emergency hires prior to July 1, 2008, may be employed on an emergency basis for no more than four years.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by two state agencies. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that this measure will clarify ambiguities in Act 125, Session Laws of Hawaii 2008, regarding the Department of Education requirements for hiring in emergency situations.

Your Committee has amended this measure to make it clear that:

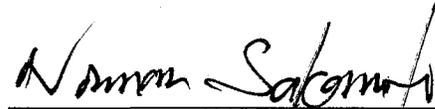
- (1) No individual may be employed on an emergency basis for more than three consecutive years; and
- (2) Unlicensed teachers employed on an emergency basis after June 30, 1997, but prior to July 1, 2008, may be employed on an emergency basis for no more than four consecutive years.



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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education and Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1250, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1250, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Labor.

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



NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Chair



