

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 172

Honolulu, Hawaii
Feb 11, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 1217

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Education and Higher Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 1217 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION PROJECTS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to stimulate the state's economy by:

- (1) Authorizing the issuance of and appropriating \$100,000,000 in general obligation bonds for improvements to or repair and maintenance of public schools; and
- (2) Authorizing the issuance of and appropriating \$50,000,000 in general obligation bonds for improvements to or repair and maintenance of University of Hawaii (UH) instructional facilities.

This bill also allows these appropriations to be used to match federal funds that are appropriated for State capital improvement projects under any federal fiscal stimulus legislation.

The Department of Education and UH testified in support of this bill. The UH at Manoa supported the intent of this measure.



As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Education and Higher Education that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1217 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Education and
Higher Education,



JERRY L. CHANG, Chair



ROY TAKUMI, Chair



