STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2158

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2435

S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fifth State Legislature Regular Session of 2010 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education and Housing, to which was referred S.B. No. 2435 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate for ten years a portion of the Department of Education's annual operating budget to support Teach for America in Hawaii to train, sustain, and prepare outstanding college graduates to become teachers in the Department of Education.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by four organizations and one individual, and testimony in support of the intent of this measure was submitted by one private organization. Testimony in opposition to this measure was submitted by two state agencies and one private organization. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that Teach for America has provided the Department of Education with many passionate teachers who have made significant positive impacts on the communities in which they serve. Your Committee also finds that Teach for America teachers have filled many positions that are difficult to fill with the existing pool of candidates in Hawaii and that the Department of Education should continue to consider Teach for America teachers as part of its broader recruitment, retention, and mentoring initiatives.

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Your Committee defers to the Committee on Ways and Means with regard to the appropriate amount of funding to provide for the purposes of this measure. Your Committee also recommends that any measure that increases general excise taxes also consider designating a portion of the additional revenue for the purposes of this measure.

Accordingly, your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Leaving the appropriation amount unspecified for determination by the Committee on Ways and Means; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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. 2435, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2435, 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 and Housing,

NORMAN SAKAMOTO. Chai

The Senate Twenty-Fifth 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
SAKAMOTO, Norman (C)				
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)				
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Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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