STAND. COM. REP. NO. 385

Honolulu, Hawaii Feb 17, 2011

RE: H.B. No. 625 H.D. 2

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Sixth State Legislature Regular Session of 2011 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources, to which was referred H.B. No. 625, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to help ensure that state land is used for the best possible purpose by:

- Requiring land and facilities under the jurisdiction of the Department of Education (DOE) that are not being used for school purposes to be transferred to the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR); and
- (2) Making the land and facilities available for alternative use by charter schools or certain other education programs, or the county where the land or building is located.

This bill also requires DOE to consult with the Board of Land and Natural Resources prior to the final transfer of land.

DLNR, DOE, the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, and Ho'okāko'o Corporation testified in support of this bill. The Charter School Administrative Office supported the intent of this measure. The Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu provided comments.

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Your Committee notes that this measure applies only to state lands and not county lands.

Your Committee has amended this bill by clarifying that the transferred lands first be made available to the specified entities.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 625, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 625, H.D. 2.

> Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources,

JERRY L. CHANG, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-sixth Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Water, Land, & Ocean Resources

Bill/Resolution No.: Committee Referral: Date: HB 625, HD1 EDN, WLO, FIN 2/11/11				
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Image: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Image: Hold Image: Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
WLO Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CHANG, Jerry L. (C)	\checkmark			
2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC)				
3. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				V
4. CARROLL, Mele				\checkmark
5. CHONG, Pono				
6. COFFMAN, Denny				
7. HERKES, Robert N.				
8. ITO, Ken				
9. MORITA, Hermina M.				
10. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.				
11. RIVIERE, Gil				
12. THIELEN, Cynthia	\checkmark			
TOTAL (12)	7,			5
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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