STAND. COM. REP. NO. **646** 

Honolulu, Hawaii Rebnam 28, 2013

RE: H.B. No. 478 H.D. 2

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2013 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 478, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION," begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to increase access to fresh produce by Hawaii's schoolchildren by authorizing all Department of Education schools to grow food in school gardens for consumption in the school meals program under specified conditions. This measure also permits nonprofit organizations to establish and administer a fresh food distribution service if a school requests such a service.

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Kaiser Permanente Hawaii, and several individuals testified in support of this measure. The Department of Education, Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, The Kohala Center, and a concerned individual offered comments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 478, H.D. 2, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 641

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Finance,

SYLVIA LUKE, Chair

## State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-seventh Legislature

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## Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

HB 478, HD2	AGR, EDN, FIN	Date F.	: EB 22, 2013	
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to:  Pass, unamended (as is)  Pass, with amendments (HD)  Hold  Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)				
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)				
3. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling (VC)	1			
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				
5. HASHEM, Mark J.				
6. ING, Kaniela				
7. JORDAN, Jo				
8. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand				
9. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
10. MORIKAWA, Dee				,
11. ONISHI, Richard H.K.				-
12. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				• .
14. WOODSON, Justin H.				
15. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
16. FUKUMOTO, Beth				
17. WARD, Gene				
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TOTAL (17)	17			
The recommendation is:  Adopted				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature				
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