STAND. COM. REP. NO. 466

Honolulu, Hawaii

Rebruary 20, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 759 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2015 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 759, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COOLING SYSTEMS IN PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to improve public school students' learning experience by:

- (1) Requiring and funding a comprehensive study, development of a master strategy, and report by the Department of Education and Department of Accounting and General Services, with the consultation of the State Energy Office of the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and the Hawaii Natural Energy Institute of the University of Hawaii, to implement cooling systems at all public school facilities; and
- (2) Authorizing the Director of Finance to issue general obligation bonds to fund projects that demonstrate efficient methods of cooling classrooms in public schools.

The Hawaii State Teachers Association, IMUAlliance, and many concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Education supported the intent of this measure. The Department of Accounting and General Services, Department of Business, Economic

Development, and Tourism, and several concerned individuals commented on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 759, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

ROY M. TAKUMI, Chair

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

## Record of Votes of the Committee on Education

HB 159 HD I (HSCR 42) EEP, EDN, FIN		Date:	Date: 2/18/15	
☐ 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)				
EDN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKUMI, Roy M. (C)	~			
2. OHNO, Takashi (VC)	~			
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.				
4. CHOY, Isaac W.	<i>V</i>			
5. ICHIYAMA, Linda				
6. ING, Kaniela				V
7. ITO, Ken				~
8. KONG, Sam Satoru				
9. LOPRESTI, Matthew S.				V
10. SAY, Calvin K.Y.				~
11. TSUJI, Clift				ı
12. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	V			
13. TUPOLA, Andria P.L.				~
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TOTAL (13)	8	0	O	5
The recommendation is:  If joint referral, did not support recommendation.  committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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