

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2266

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 18 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2598

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B.
No. 2598 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Education for the purpose of hiring teachers in the areas of fine arts, Hawaiian and Polynesian studies and language, vocational education, and mentoring.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Teachers Association, Kamehameha Schools, and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Education.

Your Committee finds that a teacher shortage exists in many areas of education, including fine arts, Hawaiian and Polynesian studies and language, vocational education, and mentoring. These areas of education are vital to the development of Hawaii's students, yet they are often de-emphasized in favor of other educational priorities. This measure would provide resources for the Department of Education to hire teachers to provide greater educational opportunities to students in these areas of study.

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 S.B. No. 2598 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

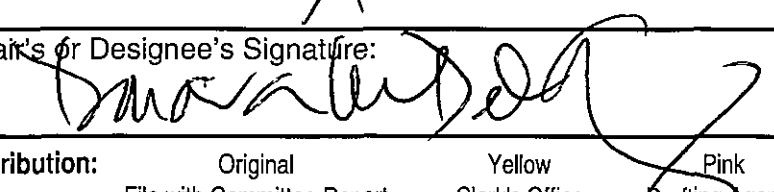
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MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">SB2598</div>	Committee Referral: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">EDU, WAM</div>	Date: <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">2/10/16</div>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-start;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313 </div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)	/			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)				/
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
SLOM, Sam				/
TOTAL	4			2
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted </div>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>				
Distribution: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 5px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">Original File with Committee Report</div> <div style="text-align: center;">Yellow Clerk's Office</div> <div style="text-align: center;">Pink Drafting Agency</div> <div style="text-align: center;">Goldenrod Committee File Copy</div> </div>				

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