

Senate Committee on Education

Time: 1:15 p.m. Date: February 10, 2016 Where: State Capitol Room 229

TESTIMONY By Ka'ano'i Walk Kamehameha Schools

To: Chair Kidani, Vice Chair Harimoto and Members of the Committee

RE: SB 2598 Relating to Education

E ka Luna Hoʻomalu Kidani, ka Hope Luna Hoʻomalu Harimoto a me nā Lālā o nā Kōmike Hoʻonaʻauao o ka Hale o nā Lunamaka'āinana, aloha! My name is Kaʻanoʻi Walk and I serve as the Senior Policy Analyst of the Community Education Division of Kamehameha Schools.

Senate Bill 2598 relating to appropriates funds to the department of education to hire teachers in the areas of fine arts, Hawaiian and Polynesian studies, Hawaiian language, vocational programs, and mentoring.We are writing in **support** of this measure.

Founded in 1887, Kamehameha Schools is a statewide educational system supported by a trust endowed by Princess Bernice Pauahi Bishop, whose mission is to improve the capability and well-being of Native Hawaiian learners. Hawaiian learners. We are committed to continuing to engage in dialog around education policies and proposals and strive to contribute in a positive and meaningful way. 'A'ohe hana nui ke alu 'ia. No task is too large when we all work together!

Please advance this measure.

Mahalo nui.

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Kapua Keliikoa-Kamai	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments: Aloha kakou, I support and request passage of SB 2598 RELATING TO EDUCATION. "SECTION 1. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017 to hire teachers in the following areas: (1) Fine arts, including visual arts, drama, dance, and music; (2) Hawaiian and Polynesian studies; (3) Hawaiian language; (4) Vocational, technical, and career pathway programs; and (5) Mentoring." These subject matters are much needed in our educational system; especially item (4) Vocational, technical, and career pathway programs. Mahalo for this opportunity to provide support to SB 2598. Mahalo, Kapua Keliikoa-Kamai Wai'anae Community Resident

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