Honolulu, Hawaii

March 29 , 2017

RE: H.C.R. No. 37 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2017 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 37 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN HAWAI'I TO CONSIDER OFFERING OR CONTINUE OFFERING HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE INSTRUCTION AS AN OPTION OR AN ELECTIVE IN THEIR ACADEMIC CURRICULUM, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge private schools in Hawaii to consider offering or continue offering Hawaiian-language instruction as an option or an elective in their academic curriculum, including by surveying interest in learning the Hawaiian language and requesting private schools to look for ways to incorporate Hawaiian language into their curriculum and instruction.

'Aha Pūnana Leo, Hawaii Association of Independent Schools, Ka Lahui Hawaii Political Action Committee, and numerous concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Education and a concerned individual submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by deleting the provision requesting the Department of Education to support the curriculum and instruction of the Hawaiian language in private

schools in Hawaii that express interest in adding Hawaiian to their curriculum and instruction.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 37, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 37, H.D. 1.

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

JUSTIN H. WOODSON, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Twenty-ninth Legislature



Record of Votes of the Committee on Education

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:		Date:		
HCR 37	EDN 3/22/17			1	
☐ 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. WOODSON, Justin H. (C)					
2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC)					
3. CREAGAN, Richard P.			:		
4. HASHEM, Mark J.					
5. ING, Kaniela					
6. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.					/
7. OHNO, Takashi					
8. ONISHI, Richard H.K.					
9. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealoh	ilani	/			
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TOTAL (9)		7	0	6	2
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, committee acronym(s) Not Adopted did not support recommendation.					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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