

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 29 2017

RE: S.C.R. No. 166
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.C.R.
No. 166 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO
PERFORM A STUDY OF THE NUMBER OF FIRST-YEAR TEACHERS HIRED BY
THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, THE FIVE-YEAR RETENTION RATES
FOR FIRST-YEAR TEACHERS, AND STATISTICS OF TEACHERS AT
DEPARTMENT SCHOOLS WHO TRANSFERRED FROM THEIR FORMER TEACHING
POSITIONS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the
Auditor to perform a study of:

- (1) The number of first-year teachers hired by the
Department of Education;
- (2) The five-year retention rates for first-year teachers;
and
- (3) Statistics of teachers at Department schools who
transferred from their former teaching positions.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Hawaii State Teachers Association. Your Committee
received comments on this measure from the Department of Education
and Office of the Auditor.



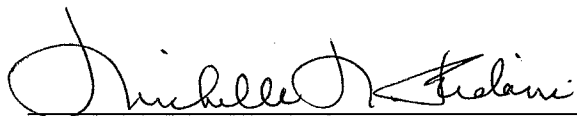
Your Committee finds that Hawaii is in the midst of a teacher shortage crisis. Your Committee further finds that, in the last five years, the number of state teacher vacancies has increased by forty-five percent. Your Committee additionally finds that teacher shortages have a significant negative effect on student learning, especially in rural and designated hard-to-fill schools. Your Committee also finds that accurate and updated information is vital to efforts to develop effective policies to address the shortage of teachers.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Clarifying that the starting point for all data collected in the study is 2012; and
- (2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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 S.C.R. No. 166, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means, in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 166, S.D. 1.

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



MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Ninth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* KK HR 1114 SCR 116	Committee Referral: EDU, WAM	Date: 3/24/17
<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"/> KK Pass, unamended 2312 </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> X 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)	/	
KAHELE, Kaiali'i (VC)	/	
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.		/
ESPERO, Will	/	
RIVIERE, Gil		/
TOTAL	3	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: 		
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