

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 53

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred
S.C.R. No. 53 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A STUDY ON THE PER-
PUPIL FUNDING SYSTEM FOR PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS TO DETERMINE
WHETHER THE SYSTEM FULFILLS ITS STATUTORY PURPOSE OF
EQUALIZING OPERATIONAL FUNDING AMONG PUBLIC SCHOOLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the
Legislative Reference Bureau to conduct a study on the per-pupil
funding system to determine whether the system fulfills its
statutory purpose of equalizing operational funding among public
schools. This measure also requests the stakeholders in the per-
pupil funding issues to provide information and assistance to the
Legislative Reference Bureau.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this
measure from the Hawaii State Public Charter School Commission,
the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, the Hawaii Public Charter Schools
Network, the Hawaii State Teachers Association, Kamehameha
Schools, and one individual.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from
the Department of Education and the Legislative Reference Bureau.


Your Committee finds that the issue of per-pupil funding for
state charter schools is one of long-standing controversy. Your



Committee hopes that the findings and recommendations of the Legislative Reference Bureau, an objective party, will contribute towards identifying solutions to the problems with the per-pupil funding formula.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 53 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Ninth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">SCR 53</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;">4/4/17</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
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (VC)	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	/			
HARIMOTO, Breene	/			
INOUE, Lorraine R.	/			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	/			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
TOTAL	11			
Recommendation: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <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>				
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