

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1185

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 29 2017

RE: S.R. No. 58

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.R.
No. 58 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO
CONSIDER REQUIRING STUDENTS IN GRADES SIX, SEVEN, AND EIGHT
TO TAKE COURSES IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the
Board of Education to consider requiring students in grades six,
seven, and eight to take courses in physical education and health
education.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Hawaii Public Health Institute, American Heart
Association, Hawaii Youth Services Network, Hawaii Pacific Health,
Pioneering Healthier Communities, and more than forty-five
individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure
from the Department of Education and Department of Health.

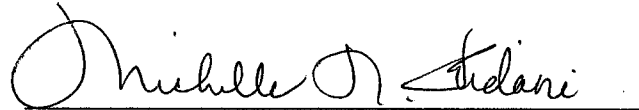
Your Committee finds that physical education and health
education during middle school years is especially important to
prevent the onset of risky behaviors. Your Committee further
finds that high quality health education helps students to acquire
the knowledge, attitudes, and skills that they need to make
healthy decisions, become health literate, and promote the health
of others. This measure will encourage the Board of Education to



reinstate mandatory physical education and health education curricula in public middle and intermediate schools.

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.R. No. 58 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Michelle N. Kidani". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M".

MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



Record of Votes
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