STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2100

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2393

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Regular Session of 2018 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 2393 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require the Department of Education to:

- (1) Create a comprehensive plan to establish alternative learning centers in each school complex area in the State; and
- (2) Submit the plan to the Legislature prior to the Regular Session of 2019.

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.

Your Committee finds that alternative learning centers provide specialized services, such as trauma treatment, life skills training, vocational education, mental health treatment, medical services, substance abuse intervention, and mentorship programs, to meet the unique needs of at-risk youth. By offering troubled children the long-term and individualized support they

need, these children can develop physically, mentally, and socially in a conducive learning environment.

Your Committee has heard the testimony of the Department of Education expressing concerns relating to a comprehensive needs assessment, a cost analysis, a projected implementation plan, and an appropriation of \$200,000 to the Department to contract for these studies if this measure were to pass. Additionally, the Department of Education proposed submitting an update report to the 2018-2019 Legislature and a final report to the 2019-2020 Legislature, including any budget requests or legislation, as necessary. Your Committee finds that these issues raise concerns that merit further consideration and requests that your Committee on Ways and Means further examine those issues and concerns raised by the Department of Education on this measure.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2393 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair

## The Senate Twenty-Ninth Legislature State of Hawaiʻi

## Record of Votes Committee on Education EDU

Bill / Resolution No.:*  Ob 2393	Committee Referral:		Dat	te: 1   31	12018
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.  If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)					
KAHELE, Kaiali'i (VC)					
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.					
ESPERO, Will			-		
KIM, Donna Mercado					
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Recommendation:  Adopted  Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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