

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2098

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 08 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2527

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. 2527 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 provide school meals to all public  
charter schools.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Department of Education, State Public Charter School  
Commission, Hawaii State Teachers Association, Native Hawaiian  
Education Council, Prince Kuhio Hawaiian Civic Club, Hawaii  
Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice, Hawaii Public  
Charter School Network, and numerous individuals.

Your Committee finds that the federal school meals programs  
are critical to the health and well-being of students, especially  
low-income students, and ensures that they have the nutrition they  
need to learn. Since just over half of the State's students  
qualify for free or reduced-price school meals, these meals can  
provide nutritional and financial support to low-income and  
working-class families. While the majority of charter schools  
provide food service from a variety of sources, including the  
Department of Education and private vendors, this measure ensures  
that all students, especially low-income students, at public  
charter schools will have access to nutritious meals.



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. 2527 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,



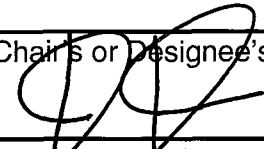
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MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



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;">SB 2527</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;">1/31/2018</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
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)	✓			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i (VC)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ESPERO, Will	✓			
KIM, Donna Mercado				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	4			1
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: <div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive; margin-top: 10px;">  </div>				
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