

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

**3241**

Honolulu, Hawaii

**MAR 28 2018**

RE: S.R. No. 137

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

Sir:

Your Committees on Economic Development, Tourism, and  
Technology and Education, to which was referred S.R. No. 137  
entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS,  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF  
A STATE LOTTERY TO FUND HAWAII'S PUBLIC EDUCATION,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the  
Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to study  
the feasibility of a state lottery to fund Hawaii's public  
education.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and  
Tourism; O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the  
Democratic Party of Hawai'i; and one individual. Your Committees  
received testimony in opposition to this measure from one  
individual.

Your Committees find that Hawaii is unique compared to the  
other states as public education is a responsibility of the State,  
as opposed to a county or local level jurisdiction. Your  
Committees further find that because jurisdiction for public  
education is with the State, funding for public education is  
primarily sourced from the general fund and is often inadequate as  
evidenced by Hawaii's ranking as lowest in the nation for



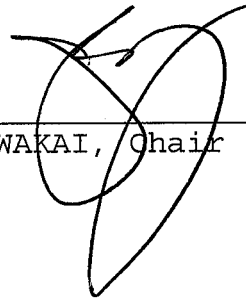
education expenditures. Your Committees believe that the means of funding public education must be expanded in order to support and better prepare students to enter the workforce or pursue secondary education. Your Committees note that forty-four states utilize state lotteries to fund a certain amount of public education. Your Committees believe that these states serve as an example and demonstrate that a state lottery has the potential to fund public education in Hawaii and should be explored as an option.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Economic Development, Tourism, and Technology and Education that are attached to this report, your Committees concur with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 137 and recommend that it be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Economic  
Development, Tourism, and  
Technology and Education,



MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



GLENN WAKAI, Chair



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**Committee on Economic Development, Tourism, and Technology**  
**ETT**

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SR 137</b>	Committee Referral: <b>ETT/EDU, WAM</b>	Date: <b>3/23/18</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
WAKAI, Glenn (C)	✓			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (VC)		✓		
BAKER, Rosalyn H.				✓
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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**EDU**

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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)	<div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">X</div>			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i (VC)				<div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">X</div>
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				<div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">X</div>
ESPERO, Will	<div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">X</div>			
KIM, Donna Mercado	<div style="font-size: 1.2em; font-family: cursive;">X</div>			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive;">3</div>			<div style="font-size: 1.5em; font-family: cursive;">2</div>
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; text-align: center;">Will Esp</div>				
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