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Date: 01/31/2018 **Time:** 02:45 PM **Location:** 229

Committee: Senate Education

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Dr. Christina M. Kishimoto, Superintendent of Education

Title of Bill: SB 2527 RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Purpose of Bill: Requires the Department of Education to provide school meals to all

public charter schools.

Department's Position:

The Department of Education (Department) supports the intent of SB 2527, but feels that the bill in not necessary.

Currently, the School Food Services Branch provides school meals to seven public charter schools and will continue to provide meals to other charter schools upon request.

Should SB 2527 pass, the charter schools will need some time to learn and implement the USDA rules and regulations of procurement, meal patterns, civil rights training, and sanitation. Hawaii Child Nutrition Program (HCNP) will have to conduct an Administrative Review on every new school during their first year per United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) regulations.

The Hawaii State Department of Education seeks to advance the goals of the Strategic Plan which is focused on student success, staff success, and successful systems of support. This is achieved through targeted work around three impact strategies: school design, student voice, and teacher collaboration. Detailed information is available at www.hawaiipublicschools.org.



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STATE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION ('AHA KULA HO'ĀMANA)

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FOR: SB 2527 Relating to Education

DATE: January 31, 2018

TIME: 2:45 P.M.

COMMITTEE: Senate Committee on Education

ROOM: Room 229

FROM: Sione Thompson, Executive Director

State Public Charter School Commission

Chair Kidani, Vice Chair Kahele, and members of the Committee:

The State Public Charter School Commission ("Commission") appreciates the opportunity to **SUPPORT THE INTENT of SB 2527**, which makes school meals available under the school meals program to public charter schools.

The majority of charter schools provide food service at various levels from a variety of sources which include the Department of Education (DOE) and private, contracted vendors. As self-governed state agencies, charter schools have the authority to seek out and contract with either public or private providers for school meal services.

Currently, charter schools can request meal service from the DOE. The capacity of a DOE school's school meal program at each individual school may determine the DOE school's ability to provide meal service to the charter school. The Commission will continue to facilitate and assist the continuing collaboration between charter schools and the DOE in providing meals to charter school students.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.



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TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Wilbert Holck Executive Director

RE: SB 2527 - RELATING TO EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31, 2018

COREY ROSENLEE, PRESIDENT HAWAII STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Chair Kidani and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii State Teachers Association <u>supports SB 2527</u>, relating to education.

Every public school student should be provided access to school meals. In Hawai'i, food insecurity is one of the most pressing manifestations of overall socioeconomic inequality. Nearly 91,000 public school students qualify for free or reduced-price meals in our state. For the 2016-2017 school year, 50.5 percent of public school students were classified as "economically challenged." Thus, for many students, school meals may be the only nutrition they receive during the day.

Congress established the National School Lunch Program, in 1946, and School Breakfast Program, fully implemented in 1975, to ensure that low-income students are properly nourished. Yet, many local families struggle to provide nutritious meals for their children. According the Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice, in Hawai'i, 15.3 percent of families experience food insecurity, meaning that "they do not always know how they will afford their next meal." An additional 3.9 percent are "very low food secure" families that have significantly reduced food consumption because of economic hardship.

The number of students qualifying for the Department of Education's free and reduced lunch program has risen by over 20 percent since 2007 because of economic decline and cost of living increases. Low-income students are, again, less likely to receive adequate meals at home, leaving them without the basic sustenance necessary to perform academic tasks. Cases of chronic hunger can lead to achievement gaps, concentration loss, illness, increased absenteeism, behavioral

problems, depression, and misdiagnosed learning disabilities. Providing a decent meal for our children, therefore, is a moral and educational imperative, especially when those children live in the high-poverty districts serviced by many charter schools (including a disproportionality high percentage of charter schools that emphasize Hawaiian culture).

Hungry students cannot focus. To ensure that our students are well-fed and ready to learn, the Hawaii State Teachers Association asks your committee to <u>support</u> this bill.



Native Hawaiian Education Council

January 30, 2018

Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Chair Senator Kaiali`i Kahele, Vice Chair State of Hawai'i Senate Senate Committee on Education

Via: Electronic Upload

RE: SB2527 – RELATING TO EDUCATION, SCHOOL MEALS IN PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS

Aloha 'olua mai,

The Native Hawaiian Education Council (NHEC or the Council) <u>STRONGLY</u> <u>SUPPORTS</u> <u>SB2527 – RELATING TO EDUCATION, SCHOOL MEALS IN PUBLIC CHARTER</u> <u>SCHOOLS</u> based on our Native Hawaiian Education Platform and 2017-2018 Education Priorities (attached) and in support of the Native Hawaiian Education Mission, Vision and two Goals (attached).

Because of the current exclusion of public charter schools by the Department of Education (HiDOE) regarding school meals and the related impact on 10,000 students, we **strongly support SB2527** because it is a matter of equitable resourcing as it relates to meals/food services for ALL students.

In addition to school meals, we strongly support **adding the provisions for transportation** to be expanded to include public charter school students that watch DOE buses pick up "regular" students and pass by charter students on the bus pickup route heading to schools in the same communities. This transportation inequity is exacerbated in rural and neighbor island communities.

The current "O'ahu-centric" mindset at HiDOE does not serve neighbor island schools, families and communities.

Michelle N. Kidani Kaiali`i Kahele January 30, 2018 Page 2

The Native Hawaiian Education Council was established in 1994 under the federal Native Hawaiian Education Act. The Council is charged with coordinating, assessing and reporting and making recommendations on the effectiveness of existing education programs for Native Hawaiians, the state of present Native Hawaiian education efforts, and improvements that may be made to existing programs, policies, and procedures to improve the educational attainment of Native Hawaiians.

Please feel free to contact the Council's Executive Director, Dr. Sylvia Hussey, directly via e-mail (sylvia@nhec.org), office (808.523.6432) with any questions.

Sincerely,

Dr. Lisa M. Watkins-Victorino, Chair

Lisa M. Watkins-Victorine

cc: Policy & Advocacy and Executive Committees and staff

Native Hawaiian Education Platform*

'O Hawai'i ke kahua o ka ho'ona'auao.

Hawai'i is the foundation of our learning.

Perpetuate 'Ōlelo Hawai'i

Actions on advancing 'Ōlelo Hawai'i expectations; actualizing a Hawaiian speaking workforce; amplifying access and support; and achieve normalization of 'Ōlelo Hawai'i

Amplify Family and Community Voices

Recognizes parents and families as first educators; Actions that inform, illuminate, elevate and strengthen parent, family and community engagement in education

Advance Hawaiian Culture Based Education

Actions that promote further understanding, connecting, supporting and advancing 'ike and 'Ōlelo Hawai'i: policy and pathways; teachers, leaders and communities; pedagogy and programs; curriculum, instruction, assessment and research practices; and evaluation and accreditation mechanisms.

Intensify Systems Engagement

Actions that intensify systems level action---federal, state, primary, secondary, tertiary, national and international, health, housing—to strengthen families and communities.

* Formal set of principal goals



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2017-2018 Native Hawaiian Education Priorities Native Hawaiian Education Council

Perpetuate 'Ōlelo Hawai'i

- Support the Working Group recommendations re: the Expansion of Hawaiian Language Instruction Throughout the University of Hawai'l Systems.
 - Support continuing work on Hawaiian language standards and assessments.

Amplify Family and Community Voices

- Advocate for the effective implementation of ESSA for the benefit of families and communities.
- Aggregate field data on family and community voices by island community.

Advance Hawaiian Culture Based Education

- Illuminate Models and Practices of Innovation.
- ➤ Elevate Accreditation Frameworks, Designations and Schools.
 - Create a Native Hawaiian research agenda.
 - Continue Native Hawaiian education meta-evaluation.
- Include CBE in Teacher Education and Preparation Programs and Professional Development

Intensify Systems Engagement

- Continue national advocacy work re: ESSA implementation and Native Control of Native Education.
- Engage in early learning planning and implementation work.
- Advance the implementation of Board of Education Policy E-3 Na Hopena A'o.
- Support the continuing 2-Pathways of Education Design and Development



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Nu'ukia (Vision)

'O Hawai'i ke kahua o ka ho'ona'auao.

Hawai'i is the foundation of our learning.

Ala Nu'ukia (Mission)

I nā makahiki he 10 e hiki mai ana e 'ike 'ia ai nā hanauna i mana i ka 'ōlelo a me ka nohona Hawai'i no ka ho'omau 'ana i ke ola pono o ka mauli Hawai'i.

In 10 years, kānaka will thrive through the foundation of Hawaiian language, values, practices and wisdom of our kūpuna and new 'ike to sustain abundant communities.

Pahuhopu (Goals)

In the next 10 years, our learning systems will . . .

Goal #1 — 'Ōlelo Hawai'i:

Advance 'Ōlelo Hawai'i Expectations

Develop and implement a clear set of expectations for 'ōlelo Hawai'i that permeates all levels of education.

Actualize a Hawaiian Speaking Workforce

Increase a prepared 'ōlelo Hawai'i workforce to ensure community and 'ohana access and support.

Amplify Access and Support

Increase 'ōlelo Hawai'i context and programming to support the kaiāulu.

Achieve Normalization

Pursue normalization of 'ōlelo Hawai'i.

Goal #2 — 'Ike Hawai'i:

Actualize 'lke Hawai'i

Increase use of knowledge from traditional and diverse sources.

Amplify Leo Hawai'i

Increase 'ohana and kaiaulu learning and participation.

Advance Hana Hawai'i

Increase resources to support practice and leadership.

Submitted on: 1/30/2018 3:45:52 PM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sylvia Hussey	Prince Kuhio Hawaiian Civic Club	Support	No

Comments:

January 30, 2018

Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Chair

Senator Kaiali`i Kahele, Vice Chair

State of Hawai'i Senate

Senate Committee on Education

Via: Electronic Upload

RE: SB2527 – RELATING TO EDUCATION, SCHOOL MEALS IN PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS

Aloha 'olua mai,

The Prince Kuhio Hawaiian Civic Club (PKHCC) **STRONGLY SUPPORTS SB2527 – RELATING TO EDUCATION, SCHOOL MEALS IN PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS** based on Resolution 17-44 Urging the Hawai'i State Legislature to Enact a Law Ensuring that all Public School Student have Equal Access to Appropriate Educational Facilities and Food Service, passed by the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs' House of Delegates (with PKHCC having 15 delegates present) at its 58th annual convention in Seattle, Washington, November 2017.

Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalaniana'ole formed the first Hawaiian civic club in 1918 to stimulate civic efforts and education within the Hawaiian community and promote Hawaiian culture. Preservation and perpetuation of Hawaiian values, culture and education are at the core of the mission and vision of the PKHCC (organized in 1919).

PKHCC is an autonomous organization in the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs (AHCC), the oldest Hawaiian community-based grass roots organization founded in 1918 by Prince Jonah Kuhio Kalaniana'ole, Delegate to the United States House of Representative; and is a confederation comprised of fifty-eight (58) Hawaiian Civic Clubs located throughout the State of Hawai'i and in the States of Alaska, California, Colorado, Illinois, Nevada, Utah, Virginia, Washington State, Tennessee and Texas. As part of the AHCC, PKHCC also advocates for improved welfare of native Hawaiians in culture, health, economic development, education, social welfare, and nationhood, to name a few; and perpetuates and preserves language, history, music, dance and other cultural traditions. Preservation and perpetuation of Hawaiian values, culture and education are at the core of the mission and vision of the Prince Kuhio Hawaiian Civic Club.

Me ka ha`aha`a,

Sylvia Hussey, Education Committee Chair

Prince Kuhio Hawaiian Civic Club



Testimony of Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice
Supporting SB 2527 – Relating to Education
Senate Committee on Education
Scheduled for hearing at 2:45 pm on Wednesday, January 31, 2018 in Conference Room 229

Dear Chair Kidani, Vice Chair Kahele, and members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in SUPPORT of **SB 2527**, which would require every public charter school to make school meals available under the school meals program. However, we request that you amend the bill to appropriate adequate funds to support the requirement that this bill would establish.

The federal school meals programs – National School Lunch and School Breakfast – are critical to the health and well-being of students, especially low-income students, and ensures that they have the nutrition that they need to learn. Research shows that receiving free or reduced-price school lunches reduces food insecurity, improves dietary intake, and positively impacts health and obesity rates. In addition, the new school meal nutrition standards are improving student consumption rates of fruits and vegetables.

With just over half of our state's students qualifying for free or reduced-price school meals, these meals can provide crucial nutritional and financial support to our low-income and working-class families. Since they are facing the highest costs of living in the nation, knowing that their children can get free or very low-cost breakfast and lunch every day at school can help relieve some of the economic pressure felt by many parents.

However, school meal programs come with both start-up and operational costs. While we support the passage of this bill, we believe that it should also provide adequate funds in order to ensure success. Public charter schools should receive equivalent levels of financial support for their school meals as do "regular" Department of Education schools.

We appreciate your consideration of this testimony.

The Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice is committed to a more socially just Hawai'i, where everyone has genuine opportunities to achieve economic security and fulfill their potential. We change systems that perpetuate inequality and injustice through policy development, advocacy, and coalition building.

SB-2527 Submitted on: 1/30/2018 2:53:11 PM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jeannine Souki	Hawaii Public Charter School Network	Support	Yes

Comments:

HPCSN Supports the Intent of this bill and requests a friendly amendment to allow charter schools that already provide meals to students to have the option to access state subsidies to help cover the non-federal costs of operating this program.

<u>SB-2527</u> Submitted on: 1/30/2018 1:05:59 PM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Anthony Fraser	KALO	Support	No

<u>SB-2527</u> Submitted on: 1/30/2018 10:46:39 AM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Taffi Wise	KANU O KA AINA	Support	No

<u>SB-2527</u> Submitted on: 1/30/2018 10:56:10 AM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Nancy Levenson	Kanu o ka Aina Learning Ohana	Support	No

<u>SB-2527</u> Submitted on: 1/30/2018 10:59:17 AM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Katie Benioni	Na Lei Na'auao	Support	No

Submitted on: 1/30/2018 2:49:06 PM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Rebecca Hatch	The Volcano School of Arts & Sciences	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha,

My name is Rebecca Hatch and am a teacher at The Volcano School of Arts & Sciences. First of all, charter schools are severely underfunded compared to our DOE counterparts. These gaps in funding are found in many areas: facilities, resources, principal salary, etc. The costs for our food program are not completely covered. Our food program is a huge drain on our resources, costing us about \$60,000 a year.

Please vote for the DOE to provide school lunches for the charter schools. It would be lifting part of that heavy burden off of our already stretched finances.

Mahalo,

Rebecca Hatch

Submitted on: 1/30/2018 2:49:38 PM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tamara Wong-Morrison	Volcano School of Arts & Sciences, PCS	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Senators,

I have been teaching at a charter in Volcano on the Big Island of Hawaii for 14 years.

I fully support this bill because many of our students are from the high-risk, poor community

of Ka'u. Many of them are part-Hawaiians and are struggling with their education.

Please support this bill so you can help our students.

Mahalo,

Tamara Laulani Wong-Morrison

English Language Arts teacher

Submitted on: 1/30/2018 2:49:40 PM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Laura Warner	Volcano School of Arts & Sciences	Support	No

Comments:

Please support Hawaii Children in all charter schools to have healthy lunches.

Yes, the state should support public charter school children with lunches.

Allocate state funds for the charter school to serve lunches. ... if having the local DOE school provide the service is difficult, then provide funds to charter to cover cost.

Charter schools are public schools and should be treated equal in their food service opportunity.

Submitted on: 1/30/2018 2:50:02 PM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Jane Wells	VSAS	Support	No	

Comments:

Aloha!

It would be wonderful for our Charter school (VSAS) to receive food from DOE schools. If this is the only option, then we need it. However, if there are options, then we would appreciate equitable funding to purchase our own food. The bottom line is that our keiki need healthy, balnaced meals. We are in support of this bill, because if our keiki do not have the fuel for their bodies, then they can not learn. Thank-you! Mahalo!

Submitted on: 1/30/2018 2:50:18 PM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Lisa Barnard	Volcano School	Support	No	

Comments:

Aloha,

I am writing in support of Bill 2527 to provide school lunches for charter schools as well as for DOE schools. If this is not feasible, we would like to have equal funding for our own lunch program.

Lisa Barnard

PO Box 253

Volcano, HI 96785

Submitted on: 1/30/2018 2:50:19 PM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

 Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Karen Costales	Volcano School of Arts & Sciences	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha! Please vote in favor of SB2527 for Big Island, rural keiki!!! On behalf of The Volcano School of Arts & Sciences and the keiki we serve, I request your consideration to include our students in the lunch funding that other students receive. Remember that we are serving the very same students that our local D.O.E. schools are serving. We are serving children in rural Puna and rural Ka'u. Grocery costs are high for our families. Grocery stores are few and far between. Even if you can approe that Charters receive an allotment of money per child per day, that would be a wonderful help as we want our children to eat healthy food, and we are working hard to give them great fruits and veggies and whole grains each day. Mahalo!

Submitted on: 1/30/2018 2:51:37 PM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Mara Saltzman	Volcano School Teacher	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Senators,

I am a teacher at a public charter school on the Big Island. Currently, with how our school lunches are federally funded partially, our school is running a huge financial deficit to keep our school lunch program going. Please vote to fund a state-funded lunch program for charter schools provided by the DOE and please make sure this ensures healthy meals. Thank you.

Mara Saltzman

Submitted on: 1/30/2018 2:52:51 PM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
David Wells	Volcano School of Arts and Sciences	Support	No

Comments:

Please support this bill!

I have 3 kids that go to public charter schools and they receive a quality education and experiences. I feel strongly in having options for all parents and students as we move forward into the future. I believe that charter schools just add more diversity and options for our state. What I don't understand is why my kids get less funds than DOE schools. My kids just as valuable as any and it should be equitable. It's just dad.

<u>SB-2527</u> Submitted on: 1/30/2018 3:12:53 PM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Lydia	VSAS	Support	No	

Comments:

I would like to see all charter schools receive funding for heathly lunches on their campus. Its important for the state of Hawaii to offer heathly meals to our children. Thank you, Lydia

<u>SB-2527</u> Submitted on: 1/30/2018 2:58:00 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Erica Jensen	Volcano School of Arts & Sciences	Support	No

Submitted on: 1/30/2018 9:04:10 AM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Jenna Way		Support	No	

Comments:

I fully support this bill. It is unfair and utterly ridiculous that DOE schools are provided funds for facilities, student transportation, and meal services that is not available to charter schools.

Why is one public school students entitled to these services while another is denied? Equal funding for all public school students is the only fair distribution of our public funds. Please support this bill.

<u>SB-2527</u> Submitted on: 1/30/2018 2:46:58 PM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Hawi Stecher		Support	Yes	

Comments:

I support this bill as an additional choice for charter schools. However, I would like to see that charter schools still have the choice to manage their own lunch programs.

<u>SB-2527</u> Submitted on: 1/30/2018 10:13:50 AM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Florence James		Support	No

<u>SB-2527</u> Submitted on: 1/30/2018 1:53:02 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Terri York		Support	No

Submitted on: 1/30/2018 11:23:10 AM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jill D. Raznov		Support	No

Comments:

I support SB 2527 relating to charter schools. I am a parent of a charter school child (HAAS PCS) and a Governing Board Member for this school. As such, I have experienced first hand the excellent opportunities provided to our keiki (and mine particularly) at Hawaii's charter schools. Of course, my desire is to make sure that these opportunities are equitable with all DOE schools. We, as a community of parents and GB members, work hard with our charter school educators, administrators and staff to make sure that our keiki have equal access to all the tools available to compliment and enhance learning and the love of learning at school. Therefore, I respectfully request that our legislature assure equitable opportunities for Hawaii charter schools so as to require the DOE to provide school meals to all public charter schools. Numerous studies and anecdotal evidence demonstrate that learning outcomes improve when children are provided healthy, fulfilling meals throughout the day. While I am blessed to be able to provide my child healthy, fulfilling meals (and our school contracts with the federal government to assist us to provide meals for all enrolled children, free of charge), it would be immeasurably helpful (and even more so for families without such resources) to requires the DOW to provide such services, especially where such services are not entirely free to HAAS PCS and currently utilizes resources that could be utiltized in other meangful ways directly associated with enhancing and improving learning outcomes and the love of learning for life. Mahalo Nui Loa! - Jill Dana Raznov, Esq.

<u>Ke Kōmike Hoʻonaʻauao</u> Kenekoa Michelle N. Kidani, Luna Hoʻomalu Kenekoa Kaialiʻi Kahele, Hope Luna Hoʻomalu

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Relating to Education

S.B. 2527: Support

'O au 'o Kaimana Barcarse, ka Pelekikena o ka 'Ahahui Sīwila 'o Ke Aloha 'Āina. My name is Kaimana Barcarse, President of the 'Ahahui Sīwila 'o Ke Aloha 'Āina.

Eia nō au ke hōʻike manaʻo nei i ke *kākoʻo i ka pila S.B. 2527 I am submitting testimony in support of S.B. 2527*

School meals should be made available in every school, <u>including all public charter schools</u> who otherwise would be unable to benefit for a lack of a certified kitchen.

Mahalo nui loa for this opportunity to provide testimony and urge the **support of S.B. 2527**

Mahalo nui,

Kaimana Barcarse

Pelekikena

'Ahahui Sīwila 'o Ke Aloha 'Āina (Hawaiian Civic Club)

<u>SB-2527</u> Submitted on: 1/27/2018 4:33:51 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing	
Kaulana Dameg		Support	No	l

<u>SB-2527</u> Submitted on: 1/31/2018 10:06:25 AM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
ELIZABETH A HILLER VALENTIN	PROJECT VISION HAWAII	Support	No

<u>SB-2527</u> Submitted on: 1/31/2018 10:09:12 AM

Testimony for EDU on 1/31/2018 2:45:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
CECILIA GOLIS BAUTISTA		Support	No

Comments:

Yes! Vote yes. These children are Hawaii public school students and deserve healthy lunches served daily. Mahalo, Mrs. Cecilia Golis Bautista