

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 13

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 1, 2019

RE: H.B. No. 249  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2019  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Lower & Higher Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 249 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify the licensure requirements for school psychologists by:

- (1) Establishing the licensure requirements for school psychologists; and
- (2) Clarifying that all school psychologists practicing only within a school setting are exempt from the licensure requirements for psychologists under Chapter 465, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

The Hawaii Association of School Psychologists, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, and a few individuals provided testimony in support of this measure. The Department of the Attorney General, Department of Education, Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board, Board of Psychology, and a few individuals provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee notes that the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board and Hawaii Association of School Psychologists plan to meet to

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jointly review this measure and the organizations anticipate submitting revised language as amendments. Your Committee requests that the Committee on Intrastate Commerce consider the amendments if the measure is scheduled for a hearing.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on this measure; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Lower & Higher Education that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 249, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 249, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Intrastate Commerce.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Lower & Higher  
Education,



JUSTIN H. WOODSON, Chair



**Record of Votes of the Committee on Lower & Higher Education**

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>HB 249</b>	Committee Referral: <b>LHE, IAC, CPC</b>	Date: <b>1/29/19</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
LHE Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. WOODSON, Justin H. (C)	✓	<del>WR</del> MH		
2. HASHEM, Mark J. (VC)	✓			
3. PERRUSO, Amy A. (VC)	✓			
4. DeCOITE, Lynn	✓			
5. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	✓			
6. KOBAYASHI, Dale T.	✓			
7. OHNO, Takashi	✓			
8. QUINLAN, Sean	✓			
9. TARNAS, David A.	✓			
10. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
11. OKIMOTO, Val	✓			
<b>TOTAL (11)</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Mark J. Hashem</u>				
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