

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 340

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2019
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 340 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend the Board of Education's membership by inviting the exclusive representative for bargaining unit (5) to appoint a nonvoting public school teacher representative to the Board.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board, Hawaii State Teachers Association, O'ahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i, and one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the League of Women Voters of Hawaii.

Your Committee finds that the Board of Education, consisting of nine members and none of whom are required to be public school teachers, is given the power to formulate statewide educational policy. As such, the appointment of a current public school teacher, as a nonvoting member, to the Board will provide first-hand experience and expertise on the educational climate in Hawaii's public schools and explain the resources teachers need to help Hawaii's students. Additionally, this measure provides the Board with insight into current and proposed educational practices



and policies and the effects of those practices and policies on teachers, students, and the community.

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. 340 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Judiciary.

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




MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate
Thirtieth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Education
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 340	EDU, JDC	2/1/19		
<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
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)	✓			
KIM, Donna Mercado (VC)			✓	
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt	✓			
TOTAL	4		1	
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes