STAND. COM. REP. NO. 145

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 2 2 2019

RE: H.B. No. 1274

H.D. 1

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 H.B. No. 1274, H.D. 1, 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 and appropriate funds for the Department of Education to enter into a contract or agreement with one or more entities to develop and implement computer science professional development programs directly accessible to teachers.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Teachers Association, HawaiiKidsCAN, and Code.org. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Education.

Your Committee finds that there is a disparity between the demand for computer science education and its availability as only forty percent of schools offer such courses. The integration and prioritization of computer science curriculum in public schools begins with teachers receiving relevant training. This measure ensures that teachers will receive high-quality professional development in computer science to prepare students for fields related to computer science that have the potential to drive job growth and innovation throughout the State's economy.

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 H.B. No. 1274, H.D. 1, 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,

MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair

The Senate Thirtieth Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Education EDU

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:			Date:		
HB1274, HD1	EDU, WAM			3/28/19		
The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.						
If so, then the previous decision was to:						
The Recommendation is:						
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313						
Members		Aye	Aye (W	(R)	Nay	Excused
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)						
KIM, Donna Mercado (VC)		/				
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.						1
KANUHA, Dru Mamo		/				
FEVELLA, Kurt		_				
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TOTAL		4				1
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted						
Chair's or Designee's Signature:						
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