

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2645

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 13 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2450
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirtieth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2020
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 2450 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 Hawaii's public high schools to start no earlier than 8:30 a.m.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Teachers Association and a private individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Education.

Your Committee finds that, historically, elementary and secondary principals have had the autonomy to work with teachers and staff to create a school environment that addresses the needs of the whole child, their families, and the community they live in. This includes creating a bell schedule that best fits their school design.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making it voluntary for schools to start at any time between 8:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.



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. 2450, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2450, S.D. 1, 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



