Honolulu, Hawaii FEB 13 2020

RE: S.B. No. 2941

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. 2941 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 the Department of Education to establish and administer an ocean safety and stewardship education program for all fourth grade students. The program is to be established within six months of the effective date of this Act.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education and two private individuals.

Your Committee finds that this measure is part of the Department of Education's ongoing efforts to ensure that public school children are provided with opportunities that foster health, safety, education, school readiness, and success. The ocean is a vital and essential part of everyone's life in Hawaii. An ocean safety and stewardship education program will help cultivate a love of the ocean based on respect, safety, and stewardship early in the lives of our keiki.

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. 2941 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:	
SB 2941	EDU, WAM			2/10/2020	
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 (WR) 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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*Only one measure per Record of Votes