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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 19 ' 2021

RE: H.R. No. 7

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.R. No. 7 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO MANDATE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO HOLD QUARTERLY TOWN HALLS TO RECEIVE CONCERNS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM THE COMMUNITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the Board of Education to mandate the Department of Education to hold quarterly town halls where students, parents, and community members can voice their concerns and suggestions to the Superintendent of Education.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Youth Services Network and one individual.

Your Committee finds that there are few options for students to voice their opinions and concerns directly to the Superintendent of Education and administration of the Department of Education. Your Committee further finds that town halls are public meetings where officials can present their ideas and plans to the community and hear the community's views and feedback on those ideas and plans. Your Committee believes that town halls can serve as the appropriate avenue for students to discuss their opinions and concerns with the Department of Education administration.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 7 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

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

JUSTIN H. WOODSON, Chair

State of Hawaii House of Representatives The Thirty-first Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Education

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:		Date:	
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☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
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The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature.				
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