STAND. COM. REP. NO. **225** 

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 23 ' 2021

RE: S.B. No. 76

S.D. 2 H.D. 1

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 S.B. No. 76, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Require the Board of Education to prioritize for the Superintendent of Education position candidates that have the minimum qualification of ten years of employment in a department of education, with at least five of those years serving in the capacity as a principal or higher; and
- (2) Specify that a desired qualification for a candidate for the position of Superintendent of Education shall be a working understanding of the State's tri-level systems of educational administration.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Board of Education and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii has a unique education system, with the Department of Education serving as the only single statewide educational district in the United States. Hawaii is also the only state that provides all public school funding without any additional support from the counties. This unique education system requires leadership that understands the scope and distinct needs of the state public education system. This measure specifies certain qualifications needed for candidates for the Superintendent of Education position that will ensure the introduction of well-rounded candidates who understand the Department of Education system.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending the priority qualification for the Superintendent of Education position to having a minimum of ten years of employment in the Hawaii Department of Education, with at least five of those years serving in the capacity as a teacher, principal, or higher;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 76, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 76, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

JUSTA H. WOODSON, Chair

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## **Record of Votes of the Committee on Education**

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 76, 50 2	Committee Referral:			
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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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