

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 322-22

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 15 , 2022

RE: H.B. No. 2267
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 2267 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Education for the installation of air conditioning in certain public school classrooms.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education, Democratic Party of Hawaii Education Caucus, Hawaii State Teachers Association, and four individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that hot classroom temperatures in Hawaii's public schools can adversely affect students by making them drowsy, irritable, and unmotivated. Additionally, studies show that while classroom temperatures over eighty degrees can negatively impact student achievement, temperatures in Hawaii's classrooms are regularly recorded at over one hundred degrees during certain periods of the school year.

Your Committee further finds that \$100,000,000 was appropriated for the Department of Education's heat abatement

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program through Act 47, Session Laws of Hawaii 2016. While the appropriation successfully funded heat abatement upgrades for over 1,300 public school classrooms, over 5,000 classrooms still require heat abatement improvements. This measure will appropriate funds for the installation of air conditioning in those classrooms who still require heat abatement improvements.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to July 1, 2050.


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. 2267, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2267, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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


JUSTIN H. WOODSON, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Education

Bill/Resolution No.: <i>HB2267</i>	Committee Referral: <i>EDN FIN</i>	Date: <i>2/10/22</i>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
EDN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. WOODSON, Justin H. (C)	✓			
2. KAPELA, Jeanne (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au	✓			
4. CLARK, Linda				✓
5. GANADEN, Sonny	✓			
6. GATES, Cedric Asuega	✓			
7. HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	✓			
8. OHNO, Takashi	✓			
9. QUINLAN, Sean	✓			
10. TAKAYAMA, Gregg	✓			
11. YAMANE, Ryan I.	✓			
12. OKIMOTO, Val	✓			
TOTAL (12)	11			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <small>committee acronym(s)</small>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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