

Honolulu, Hawaii FEB 18, <sup>2021</sup>

RE: H.B. No. 612 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 H.B. No. 612 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- Require the Superintendent of Education, or the Superintendent's designee, to serve as the summer learning coordinator and coordinate all school based programs for children; and
- (2) Require the summer learning coordinator to leverage certain federal funds for school-based summer programs.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from Waipahu Elementary School; Kaho'omiki; Hawaii Children's Action Network Speaks; Hawai'i Afterschool Alliance; After-School All-Stars Hawaii; Hui for Excellence in Education; Parents And Children Together; and seven individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Hawaii State Teachers Association and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Education, Department of Human Services, and one individual.



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Your Committee finds that learning loss caused by the COVID-19 pandemic needs to be addressed by providing strong support to public school and charter students. Your Committee further finds that the summer months need to be utilized to provide coordinated summer programs that will close student achievement gaps, address student mental health, promote physical activity, and ensure child safety. This measure will provide summer activities that will provide coordinated services that avoid duplication of efforts, strategically leverage federal and state funding, and ensure equity to target the most impacted and vulnerable students.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- Removing language specifying the type of federal funds that the summer learning coordinator shall work with the Department of Human Services to leverage; and
- (2) 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 H.B. No. 612, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 612, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

WOODSON, Chair



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

Bill/Resolution No.: HB612	Committee Referral: EDN, FIN		Date: 2/9/2021		
□ 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)					
EDN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused	
1. WOODSON, Justin H. (C)					
2. KAPELA, Jeanne (VC)					
3. BELATTI, Della Au					
4. DeCOITE, Lynn					
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					
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The recommendation is:  Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation.					
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:					
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