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FOR:	SB 2892 Relating to Ke Kula O Ehunuikaimalino
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FROM:	Yvonne Lau, Interim Executive Director State Public Charter School Commission

Chair Kidani, Vice Chair Kim and members of the Committee:

The State Public Charter School Commission ("Commission") appreciates the opportunity to provide **COMMENTS on SB 2892** which establishes a working group to address the student enrollment, capacity, and expansion needs of Ke Kula 'o 'Ehunuikaimalino, and develop a plan to utilize funds previously appropriated by the legislature.

On page 1, lines 1-3 of the bill, incorrectly states that Ke Kula 'o 'Ehunuikaimalino (KKOE), is Hawaiian immersion public charter school. In fact, Ke Kula 'o 'Ehunuikaimalino is not a public charter school but is a Hawaii Department of Education Kaiapuni Hawaiian Immersion school. We ask that the bill be amended on page 1, lines 1-3, as follows:

"SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Ke Kula 'o 'Ehunuikaimalino (KKOE), <u>a Hawaii</u> <u>Department of Education Kaiapuni</u> Hawaiian immersion [public charter] school, is in high demand.;

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.