STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1739

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 30 , 2023

RE: H.C.R. No. 145

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature Regular Session of 2023 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 145 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP AND ENFORCE NON-SEX SEGREGATED DRESS CODES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL FORMAL EVENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to develop and enforce non-sex segregated dress codes for public school formal events to create a positive and safe space for all students.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the non-profit SOAR, from seven individuals and from a group of Students and Educators of Hawaii which submitted a letter with over 100 signatures.

Your Committee finds that current public school sex-segregated dress codes need to be updated to align with Hawaii State laws prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sex, gender identity, and expression. Your Committee further finds that these outdated dress codes exclude students from attending school events such as graduation or proms. Your Committee appreciates the work and initiative of High School students for authoring this measure to make school events safe spaces for all students.



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.C.R. No. 145 and recommends its adoption.

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

JUSTIN H. WOODSON, Chair

## State of Hawaii



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

Bill/Resolution No.: HCR 145	Committee Referral:	Date:	3/23/2	23
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)				
<b>EDN Members</b>	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
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3. EVSLIN, Luke A.				
4. KAPELA, Jeanne				
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10. TODD, Chris				
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11. GARCIA, Diamond				
TOTAL (11)	8		· ·	3
The recommendation is:  Adopted  If joint referral,  committee acronym(s)  Description  did not support recommendation.				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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