

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 21, 2023

RE: S.B. No. 156
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

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 S.B. No. 156, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to require the Board of Education to:

- (1) Hold no less than six community forums annually, with at least one community forum in each county;
- (2) Include an open forum for public comments on non-agenda items; and
- (3) Report to the Legislature on implementing the open forums.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of Information Practices and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Board of Education.

Your Committee finds that community forums held by the Board of Education will improve the public's access to the Board and

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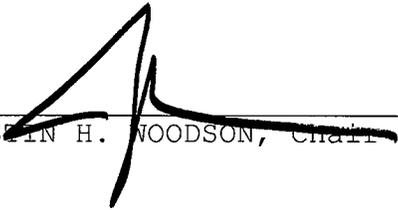
allow the public to provide the Board with more information to help with decision-making and priority setting. Your Committee further finds that greater access to the Board of Education for communities in each county across the State through community forums will allow the Board to hear from additional community stakeholders.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to June 30, 3000; 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 S.B. No. 156, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 156, S.D. 1, 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



