

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2826

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 29 2024

RE: S.B. No. 3305

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 3305 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to exempt public charter schools that offer exclusively prekindergarten programs from various requirements applicable to other public charter schools.

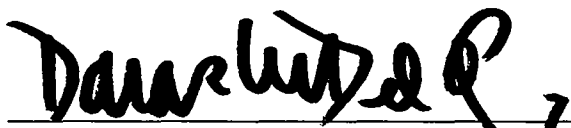
Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Executive Office on Early Learning, State Public Charter School Commission, Hawaii Children's Action Network Speaks!, and Parents And Children Together.

Your Committee finds that in January 2024, the State Public Charter School Commission approved the first prekindergarten-only public charter school. Your Committee further finds that this measure will help to expand access to early education by removing unnecessary requirements for that school and similar future schools.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3305 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair

The Senate
Thirty-Second Legislature
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB3309	Committee Referral: EDU, WAM	Date: 2/23/2024
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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.
If so, then the previous decision was to: _____

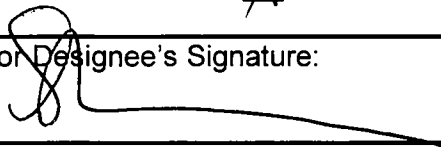
The Recommendation is:

Pass, unamended 2312 Pass, with amendments 2311 Hold 2310 Recommit 2313

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	X			
DECOITE, Lynn				X
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	X			
INOUE, Lorraine R.				X
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
LEE, Chris	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
FEVELLA, Kurt	X			
TOTAL	11			2

Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:



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