

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 15, 2024

RE: S.B. No. 3091
S.D. 2
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2024
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 3091, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR FOOD SERVICES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make an emergency appropriation to the Department of Education to cover the Department's food service operations.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education; Hawaii Food Industry Association; Hawai'i Primary Care Association; and Hawai'i Food+ Policy.

Your Committee finds that the Department of Education is required to provide meal service for its students and staff and provides over twenty thousand school breakfasts and eighty thousand school lunches on a daily basis across Hawaii. Your Committee further finds that, because of inflationary cost increases, the Department of Education has accumulated a deficit of over \$20,000,000 for its food service operations. Although students and staff must pay for their meals, Title I students are provided meals free of charge. Students are also not denied a



meal due to a lack of payment, all of which has contributed to this accumulated deficit. This measure seeks to make an emergency appropriation to the Department of Education to provide the funding needed to ensure continued school food service operations.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 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. 3091, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3091, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



JUSTIN A. WOODSON, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Education

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 3091, SD 2	Committee Referral: EDN, FIN	Date: 3/12/24		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> 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. LA CHICA, Trish (VC)	/			
3. KAPELA, Jeanne	/			
4. MARTEN, Lisa	/			
5. MARTINEZ, Rose	/			
6. MATAYOSHI, Scot Z.	/			
7. MIZUNO, May Besario	/			
8. PERRUSO, Amy A.	/			
9. QUINLAN, Sean	/			
10. TODD, Chris	/			
11. GARCIA, Diamond				X
TOTAL (11)	10			1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. _____ committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Trish La Chica</u>				
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