

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 27 2025

RE: S.B. No. 1391
S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 1391, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate moneys to the Department of Education for teacher-requested classroom supplies.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Education, Democratic Party of Hawaii Education Caucus, Environmental Caucus of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Hawaii State Teachers Association, and numerous individuals.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that teachers nationwide spend an average of \$500 in personal funds each year to supplement classroom supplies for their students. This measure will help alleviate the financial burden on Hawaii educators by providing funding for teacher-requested classroom supplies.



Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Requiring a one-to-one match of state funds with private donations; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 1391, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 1391, S.D. 2.

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


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
Thirty-Third Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
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SB1391 SD1	EDU, WAM	2-12-25

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)	/			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)	/			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.	/			
DECOITE, Lynn	/			
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.	/			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.	/			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	/			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
LEE, Chris	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt	/			
TOTAL	13	0	0	0

Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted

Chair's or Designee's Signature:

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