

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 06 , 2026

RE: H.B. No. 1896  
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2026  
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1896, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A. BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMUNITY SCHOOLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to the Department of Education for community schools, including administrative program management and support for implementation, and technical assistance and evaluation.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education; University of Hawai'i at Manoa College of Education; Hawai'i State Teachers Association; Democratic Party of Hawaii Education Caucus; Ceeds of Peace; Early Childhood Action Strategy; The He'e Coalition; Partners in Development Foundation; Hawai'i Children's Action Network Speaks!; Hawai'i Appleseed Center for Law & Economic Justice; and numerous individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Human Services.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1896, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.



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



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CHRIS TODD, Chair



