

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2024
S.D. 2
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 S.B. No. 2024, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOL FACILITIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Authorize the School Facilities Authority to use public-private partnerships for the development of public school facilities, including facilities at public charter schools;
- (2) Require and appropriate funds for the School Facilities Authority to establish a pilot program to develop three new public schools in areas based on demonstrated need through public-private partnerships; and
- (3) Require the approval of the Department of Education before the development of a public school for the pilot program on Department lands.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the State Public Charter School Commission; School Facilities Authority; Hawai'i Children's Action Network Speaks!;



HawaiiKidsCAN; Hawai'i Technology Academy; and four individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the United Public Workers, AFSCME Local 646, AFL-CIO. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Education and Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO.

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 S.B. No. 2024, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



CHRIS TODD, Chair



