

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3077

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 06 2026

RE: S.B. No. 3262  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2026  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 3262 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Require that the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board submit three nominees for its Executive Director to the Board of Education; and
- (2) Require the Board of Education to appoint an Executive Director from the nominees on the list, subject to advice and consent of the Senate.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawai'i State Teachers Association.

Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Board of Education.

Your Committee finds that a critical component of the State's educational environment is the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board,



which is mandated to establish teaching licensing and certification standards. Your Committee believes that a robust oversight mechanism for the appointment of the Executive Director of the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board is necessary to the future of education throughout the State. This measure will promote a collaborative approach to the appointment of the Executive Director to support students, quality instruction, and educators throughout the State.

Your Committee has amended this measure by inserting an effective date of March 22, 2075, to encourage further discussion.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3262, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3262, S.D. 1.

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



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KARL RHOADS, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-Third Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes  
Committee on Judiciary  
JDC

Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 3262</b>	Committee Referral: <b>EDU, JDC</b>	Date: <b>3/5/26</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
RHOADS, Karl (C)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike (VC)	✓			
CHANG, Stanley	✓			
SAN BUENAVENTURA, Joy A.	✓			
AWA, Brenton	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>—</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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