

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 14, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2551
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committees on Education and Labor & Public Employment,
to which was referred H.B. No. 2551 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to preserve the rights,
privileges, and benefits of civil service employees of conversion
charter schools by allowing them to retain their civil service
status when promoted to another civil service position.

The Hookakoo Corporation, Hawaii Business Roundtable,
Kualapuu School, and a concerned individual testified in support
of this measure. The Department of Education (DOE), Department of
Human Resources Development, Charter School Administrative Office,
and Hawaii Government Employees Association supported the intent
of this measure. The Board of Education offered comments.

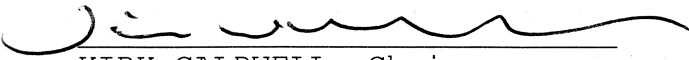
Your Committees have amended this bill by:

- (1) Also allowing civil service employees at conversion
charter schools to retain their civil service status
when they take a voluntary demotion to another civil
service position within DOE; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity,
consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Education and Labor & Public Employment that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2551, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2551, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Education and
Labor & Public Employment,



KIRK CALDWELL, Chair



ROY TAKUMI, Chair



