

Honolulu, Hawaii

Mar 43 , 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2743
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2743, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to revitalize school facilities statewide by establishing a transparent and objective process to more effectively and efficiently use state funds in public education. Specifically, this bill:

- (1) Establishes the Facilities Alignment Commission (Commission) to:
 - (A) Establish criteria for the selection of public schools to be constructed, expanded, consolidated, or closed; and
 - (B) Recommend, based on these criteria, a list of areas for new school construction, and of schools for expansion, consolidation, or closure, which is subject to review by the Legislature;
- (2) Requires the Board of Education to comply with the recommendations of the Commission if the Legislature does not disapprove the recommendations in their entirety; and



- (3) Appropriates funds for the expenses of the Commission.

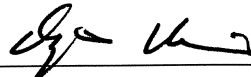
The Hawaii Government Employees Association and the Economic Momentum Commission supported the intent of this bill. The Board of Education did not support this measure. The Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for style, clarity, and consistency.

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. 2743, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2743, H.D. 2.


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



DWIGHT TAKAMINE, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2743 HD1	Date: 3.1.06			
Committee Referral: EDN, FIN	<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.			
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y. (C)	✓			
2. KAWAKAMI, Bertha C. (VC)	✓			
3. CARROLL, Mele	✓			
4. CHONG, Pono	✓			
5. EVANS, Cindy	✓			
6. LEE, Marilyn B.	✓			
7. MAGAOAY, Michael Y.	✓			
8. NAKASONE, Bob	✓			
9. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
10. TANAKA, Kameo	✓			
11. TSUJI, Clift	✓			
12. WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
13. YAMANE, Ryan I.	✓			
14. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
15. MEYER, Colleen Rose				✓
16. MOSES, Mark S.	✓			
17. PINE, Kymberly				✓
18. STEVENS, Anne V.	✓			
TOTAL	16			2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 				
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