

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 3, 2006

RE: H.B. No. 3258
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. 3258, 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 foster and sustain good relationships and cultural interaction between the Philippines and Hawaii by directing the Department of Education (DOE), in consultation with other organizations, to develop and implement a Student-and-Faculty Exchange Program between Hawaii and the Philippines.

The University of Hawaii, Na Loio-Immigrant Rights and Public Interest Legal Center, San Manuel Pangasinan Association of Hawaii, United Pangasinan of Hawaii, Lingayen Gulf Club of Hawaii, and several concerned individuals testified in support of this bill. DOE supported the intent of this measure.

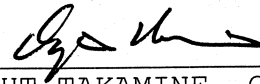
Your Committee has amended this bill by:

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



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. 3258, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 3258, H.D. 2.

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



DWIGHT TAKAMINE, Chair



