

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1526-06

Honolulu, Hawaii

Aug 17, 2006

RE: H.C.R. No. 268

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 268 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS OF BRAILLE PROFICIENCY AND INSTRUCTION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this concurrent resolution is to ensure that all children, whether blind, visually impaired, or not, receive appropriate reading instruction, by encouraging the Department of Education to establish standards of braille instruction and proficiency.

The Department of Human Services, Hawaii Disability Rights Center, and several concerned individuals testified in support of this concurrent resolution. The Department of Education and one concerned individual supported the intent of this concurrent resolution.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 268 and recommends its adoption.



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

Syla B. Berg
for _____
ROY TAKUMI, Chair



