

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 23, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 2886  
S.D. 2  
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 Public Safety & Military Affairs, to which was referred S.B. No. 2886, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to honor our armed forces veterans and certain others affected by war by directing the Department of Education (DOE) to establish a program to award graduate equivalency diplomas to armed forces veterans drafted during World War II and to individuals whose schooling was interrupted due to wartime practices such as internment.

The Advisory Board on Veterans Services, Hawaii National Guard Association, Hawaii National Guard Enlisted Association, The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, and a concerned individual supported this bill. DOE supported the intent of this measure. The Office of Veterans Services offered comments.

Your Committees have amended this bill by:

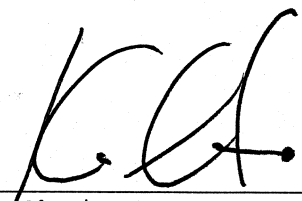
- (1) Removing veterans of the Korean and Vietnam wars from the definition of "qualified veteran," because during those periods, your Committee is unaware of any individuals who were drafted into the military while they were still attending high school;




- (2) Allowing DOE, for the purposes of this bill, to establish rules exempt from Chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, provided that the rules are subject to approval by the Board of Education; and
- (3) 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 Public Safety & Military Affairs that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2886, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2886, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committees on Education and  
Public Safety & Military  
Affairs,

  
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KEN ITO, Chair

  
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ROY TAKUMI, Chair



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The Twenty-third Legislature

HSCR 1100-06

Record of Votes of the Committee on Education

Bill/Resolution No.: <b>SB 2886 SDA (SSCR 2886)</b>		Date: <b>3-17-06</b>		
Committee Referral: <b>EDN/PSM, FIN</b>		<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				
EDN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKUMI, Roy M. (C)	✓			
2. BERG, Lyla B., Ph.D. (VC)	✓			
3. ARAKAKI, Dennis A.				✓
4. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.				✓
5. CHANG, Jerry L.				✓
6. GREEN, Josh, M.D.	✓			
7. HALE, Heléne H.	✓			
8. HARBIN, Bev				✓
9. KAHIKINA, Michael Puamamo	✓			
10. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L.	✓			
11. WATERS, Tommy				✓
12. CHING, Corinne W.L.	✓			
13. FINNEGAN, Lynn	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8</b>			<b>5</b>
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: <i>Lyla B. Berg</i>				
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