

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 23, 2006

RE: S.B. No. 3054
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 Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 3054, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to alleviate the lack of facilities for Hawaii's charter schools by:

- (1) Providing seed money to establish the Charter School Facilities Fund Partnership (Partnership); and
- (2) Allowing the State to enter into leases with charter schools at rates comparable to other state agencies.

The Board of Education and a concerned individual testified in support of this bill. The Charter School Administrative Office (CSAO) supported the intent of this measure.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the expending agency for funds to plan, organize, and develop the Partnership, from the Department of Education to CSAO; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3054, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3054, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



ROY TAKUMI, Chair



