

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3370

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR - 5 2006

RE: H.B. No. 2347
S.D. 1

Honorable Robert Bunda
President of the Senate
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 2347 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STUDENT TRANSPORTATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make an emergency appropriation to allow for the continued operation of the Department of Education's student transportation program.

Specifically, the measure appropriates \$5,785,488 to fund the projected shortfall for public school student transportation services.

Your Committee finds that approximately 43,500 public school students use the Department of Education's school bus transportation services, including 3,500 special needs students. Many families rely on the Department to provide this transportation. The shortfall is primarily due to the necessity of spending \$3,600,000 of fiscal year 2005-2006 funds for expenses incurred during the previous fiscal year and \$4,700,000 for bus service contract increases. Your Committee finds that if emergency funding is not provided, the Department of Education anticipates running out of funds to pay applicable contracts in April, 2006.


Your Committee has amended this measure by making a technical nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and style.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2347, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2347, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,



BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair



**The Senate
Twenty-Third Legislature
State of Hawaii**

**Record of Votes of the
Committee on Ways and Means
(Bills and Resolutions)**

Measure:* HB 2347	Committee Referral: EDM, WAM	Date: 3/31/06		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (2312) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (2311) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold (2310) <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit (2313)				
Members	Ayes	Ayes(WR)	Nays	Excused
TANIGUCHI, Brian T. (C)	/			
TSUTSUI, Shan S. (VC)	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				\
ESPERO, Will	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
HOOSER, Gary L.	/			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	/			
KANNO, Brian	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado				\
KOKUBUN, Russell S.	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
SAKAMOTO, Norman	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
TRIMBLE, Gordon				\
TOTAL	12	0	0	3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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*Do not list more than one measure per Record of Votes.