

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2705
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 S.B. No. 2705, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to permit the Department of Education to employ retired teachers and administrators to teach full-time in teacher shortage areas identified by the Department, provided the retirees have been retired for one calendar year.

In addition, the measure authorizes the rehired teachers to serve as mentors to new classroom teachers immediately upon being rehired and provides that the retired teacher or administrator who returns to the classroom continue to be entitled to retirement benefits without penalty.

Your Committee finds that many long time teachers of the "baby boom" generation are retiring, leaving difficult to fill vacancies. Existing shortages in certain teaching fields or geographic areas makes the teacher shortage caused by retirement even more difficult. Your Committee believes that this measure will allow the Department of Education to alleviate the teacher shortage by rehiring experienced teachers. The bill also benefits new teachers by providing mentors to assist new classroom teachers.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your



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Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B.
No. 2705, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.


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:* SB 2705 SD1	Committee Referral: EDM/LBR., WAM	Date: 2/28/06		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (2312) <input 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.				/
INOUE, Lorraine R.	/			
KANNO, Brian				/
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
SAKAMOTO, Norman	/			
HEMMINGS, Fred				/
SLOM, Sam		/		
TRIMBLE, Gordon		/		
TOTAL	10	2	0	3
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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