

Honolulu, Hawaii

**APR 28** , 2006

RE: S.B. No. 3195  
S.D. 2  
H.D. 2  
C.D. 1

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

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House of Representatives in S.B. No. 3195, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR EDUCATION,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to ensure that public schools receive the funds they need to provide quality education to Hawaii's students.

Specifically, this measure appropriates funds for:

- (1) A weighted student formula conversion program to provide supplementary funds to help ease schools' transition into the new spending method under the weighted student formula;



- (2) Classroom supplies;
- (3) Textbooks;
- (4) Resources to guide students on their path to higher education;
- (5) Special education needs;
- (6) English as second language services; and
- (7) Information technology needs.

Your Committee on Conference finds that \$20,000,000 has been appropriated this year for schools to ease the transition to the weighted student formula spending method, and that an educational need that remains to be addressed is the teacher shortage in Hawaii. Your Committee further finds that students may be guided on the path toward higher education and toward careers in education through programs like the Hawaii Teacher Cadet program, and that the Department of Education should receive an appropriation to supplement teacher training and support in the manner that best suits its needs.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by replacing most of the appropriation provisions of House Draft 2 with an appropriation for the Department of Education to address the teacher shortage in Hawaii.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 3195, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3195, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1.



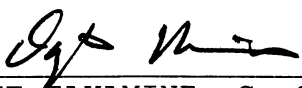
Respectfully submitted on behalf  
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

  
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