

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 166
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 Education and Military Affairs, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 166 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO STUDY THE AIR COOLING NEEDS OF EACH SCHOOL COMPLEX AND TO REVIEW THE FEASIBILITY OF USING ALTERNATIVE AIR COOLING METHODS SUCH AS FANS, HEAT REDUCTION, INSULATION, AND ENERGY EFFICIENT INDIVIDUAL AIR CONDITIONING WALL UNITS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request that the Department of Education conduct a study on alternative cooling methods for schools.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Teachers Association. Comments in support of the intent of this measure were received from the Department of Education.

Your Committee finds that alternative air-cooling is a necessity, especially for schools in the hotter areas around the State, and a Department evaluation of those needs brings the schools one step closer to fulfilling them.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the term "study" to "evaluate";



- (2) Eliminating "projected total cost" and "timetable for implementation" from the evaluation requirements;
- (3) Adding a final report requirement to be made prior to the convening of the Regular Legislative Session of 2008;
- (4) Adding a clause that sets forth that the evaluation be used to develop a strategic plan for air cooling in public schools; and
- (5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 166, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 166, S.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Education and
Military Affairs,



NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Chair



