

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 27, 2008

RE: H.R. No. 108  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.R. No. 108 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF INTEGRATING REHABILITATION PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS WITH ANGER PROBLEMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of Education (DOE) to conduct a study on the feasibility of establishing an anger management program modeled after substance abuse programs to provide students who commit acts of violence or harassment at their school with the tools they need to change their behavior.

DOE testified that they support the intent of the measure. Several concerned students from Kohala High School and Paauilo Elementary and Intermediate School testified in support of the resolution.

Your Committee has amended the measure by:

- (1) Transferring the responsibility to the Board of Education (BOE) as they are the appropriate authority in the matter.
- (2) Changing the request from conducting a feasibility study to establish an anger management program modeling after



a substance abuse program to a request to establish an anger management and rehabilitation program.

- (3) Changing the title to reflect the change to the content of the resolution.
- (4) Making technical, non-substantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

Your Committee would like to note that in the DOE testimony, it was suggested that the parameter of the study should be expanded to include an exploration of the dimensions of student behavior; proactive, evidence-based interventions; and supports that will have a broader, positive impact on student behavior. Furthermore, your Committee would like to suggest that perhaps student organization involvement and consultation with the civic education working group will be beneficial in the development of a effective anger management and rehabilitation program.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 108, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 108, H.D. 1.

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

*for* Jyfa B. Beg  
ROY TAKUMI, Chair



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The Twenty-fourth Legislature

Record of Votes of the Committee on Education


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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.

The recommendation is to:     Pass, unamended (as is)     Pass, with amendments (HD)     Hold  
 Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)

EDN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKUMI, Roy M. (C)	✓			
2. BERG, Lyla B., Ph.D. (VC)	✓			
3. BERTRAM, Joe, III	✓			
4. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.	✓			
5. CHANG, Jerry L.				✓
6. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
7. SAIKI, Scott K.				✓
8. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L.	✓			
9. TAKAI, K. Mark	✓			
10. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.	✓			
11. WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
12. CHING, Corinne W.L.				✓
13. FINNEGAN, Lynn	✓			
<b>TOTAL (13)</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>

The recommendation is:     Adopted     Not Adopted  
If joint referral, \_\_\_\_\_ did not support recommendation.  
committee acronym(s)

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: 

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