

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 20, 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2163
S.D. 1
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 Committees on Education and Labor & Public Employment,
to which was referred S.B. No. 2163, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to better align Hawaii's teacher licensure requirements with the criteria of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB), Public Law 107-110, as they relate to highly qualified teachers. Specifically, this bill:

- (1) Allows individuals to be employed by the Department of Education (DOE) on an emergency basis for no more than three, rather than four, years; and
- (2) Requires unlicensed individuals who have been hired on an emergency basis and are currently teaching non-core subject areas to attain licensure no later than four years from the date of their employment.

DOE and the Hawaii State Teachers Association testified in support of this bill. The Hawaii Teacher Standards Board offered comments.




Your Committees have amended this bill by:

- (1) Applying the licensure requirement to all emergency-hire teachers by removing the distinction between teachers who teach non-core subjects and those who teach core subjects;
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2008; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Education and Labor & Public Employment that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2163, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommend that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2163, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committees on Education and
Labor & Public Employment,



ALEX M. SONSON, Chair



ROY TAKUMI, Chair



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Record of Votes of the Committee on Education

Bill/Resolution No.: SB2163 SD1	Committee Referral: EDN/LAB, FIN	Date: 3-14-2008		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> 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	✓			
TOTAL (13)	9			4
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; margin-left: 100px;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> committee acronym(s) </div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u><i>Lyla B. Berg</i></u>				
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LAB Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. SONSON, Alex M. (C)	✓			
2. NAKASONE, Bob (VC)				✓
3. EVANS, Cindy				✓
4. HAR, Sharon E.	✓			
5. LEE, Marilyn B.	✓			
6. LUKE, Sylvia	✓			
7. McKELVEY, Angus L.K.				✓
8. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
9. SOUKI, Joseph M.				✓
10. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.	✓			
11. TAKUMI, Roy M.	✓			
12. MEYER, Colleen Rose	✓	WR		
13. PINE, Kymberly Marcos	✓			
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