

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2282

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 13 2008

RE: S.B. No. 2662

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2008
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 2662 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds to modernize Hawaii's schools and classrooms with such items and services as textbooks, supplies, equipment, computers, software licenses, and services.

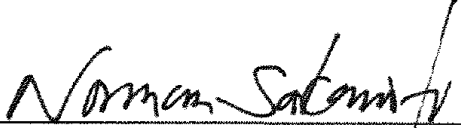
Testimony in support of the measure was submitted by the Department of Education and the Hawaii State Teachers Association.

Your Committee finds that our keiki are our future, and providing them with a quality education is of great importance to their success and the success of the State. Education is a major priority of the State, and, although funding is not always readily available for all of the needs of the public, the State must do what it can to provide our public school students with the appropriate tools, equipment, and supplies necessary for them to attain high academic achievement. This measure appropriates funds for textbooks, supplies, equipment, computers, software licenses, and other necessary services to modernize our public schools. While available funding cannot provide for state-of-the-art educational materials, your Committee believes it is necessary to make this one-time appropriation to raise the standard of educational materials and related items and services to provide for adequate education in the public schools.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2662 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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



NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Fourth Legislature
 State of Hawaii

Record of Votes
Committee on Education
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2662	Committee Referral: EDU, WAM	Date: 2/11/08		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <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	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
SAKAMOTO, Norman (C)	X			
TOKUDA, Jill N. (VC)	X			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	X			
GABBARD, Mike	X			
HEE, Clayton				X
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	X			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	X			
SLOM, Sam				X
TOTAL	6	0	0	2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes