

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 6, 2009

RE: H.B. No. 1376  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2009  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1376 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to revitalize school facilities statewide and to more effectively and efficiently use our taxpayers' investment in public education.

Specifically, this bill provides for the timely construction, expansion, consolidation, or closure of public schools in Hawaii through an objective and transparent process that:

- (1) Includes the establishment of a Facilities Alignment Commission (FAC); and
- (2) Directs the Board of Education to proceed with the process of constructing, expanding, consolidating, or closing schools according to the recommendations of the FAC, if the Legislature does not disapprove of the recommendations in their entirety.

The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii, Hawaii Developers Council, and Building Industry Association supported this bill. The Department of Education submitted comments.



Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive changes for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1376, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1376, H.D. 1.

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

  
MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-fifth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HB 1376	<b>Committee Referral:</b> EDN, FIN	<b>Date:</b> March 2, 2009		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b>				
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <del>Pass, with amendments (HD)</del> <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
<b>FIN Members</b>	<b>Ayes</b>	<b>Ayes (WR)</b>	<b>Nays</b>	<b>Excused</b>
1. OSHIRO, Marcus R. (C)	✓			
2. LEE, Marilyn B. (VC)	✓			
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.	✓			
4. AWANA, Karen Leinani	✓			
5. BROWER, Tom	✓			
6. CHOY, Isaac W.	✓			
7. COFFMAN, Denny	✓			
8. HAR, Sharon E.	✓			
9. KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
10. LEE, Chris		✓		
11. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
12. SAGUM, Roland D., III	✓			
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane	✓			
14. WOOLEY, Jessica	✓			
15. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.	✓			
16. PINE, Kymberly Marcos	✓			
17. WARD, Gene				✓
<b>TOTAL (17)</b>	15	1	0	1
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> <u>Marilyn B. Lee</u>				
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