

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 16, 2010

RE: H.B. No. 2376  
H.D. 3  
S.D. 2  
C.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2010  
State of Hawaii

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2010  
State of Hawaii

Sir and Madam:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 2376, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION RELATING TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this bill is to improve the accountability of Hawaii's public education system by proposing a constitutional amendment to the Hawaii Constitution to provide for a Board of Education (BOE) whose voting members shall be appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, from pools of qualified candidates presented to the Governor by the BOE Candidate Nomination Commission, as provided by law.



Your Committee on Conference has amended this bill by:


- (1) Changing the constitutional provision to specify that all BOE members shall be nominated and, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appointed by the Governor, as provided by law;
- (2) Including a constitutional provision for a period of transition from the elected to the appointed BOE, as provided by law, in the Hawaii Constitution;
- (3) Accordingly, changing the question to be printed on the ballot to read, "Shall the Board of Education be changed to a board appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, as provided by law?"; and
- (4) Changing the effective date to upon compliance with Article XVII, Section 3, of the Hawaii Constitution.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2376, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2376, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE


ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

  
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