

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 26, 2010

RE: H.B. No. 2486
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2486, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to ensure that students have a sufficient amount of classroom time by establishing a minimum number of instructional hours per school year for each grade level.

The Department of Education; Hawaii Government Employees' Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO; and Hawaii Association of Independent Schools testified in support of this bill. A concerned individual opposed this measure. The Office of Collective Bargaining, Charter School Administrative Office, Hawaii State Teachers Association, Hawaii Technology Academy, Special Education Advisory Council, and several concerned individuals provided comments.

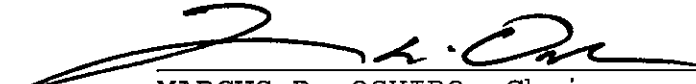
Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2020, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments 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. 2486, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2486, H.D. 2.

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


MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



