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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2588

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

Madam:

Your Committee on Education and Housing, to which was referred S.B. No. 2588 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL
ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clearly enable the Charter School Administrative Office to withhold directly from the annual charter school general fund appropriation up to two per cent for operational expenses of the office, and to allocate the balance of the annual appropriations to the charter schools.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Charter School Administrative Office and Hawaii Technology Academy. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

This measure clarifies that the Charter School Administrative Office, as a state office, should be allowed to first withhold from the annual appropriation its operational expenses including the salaries of the executive director and staff before the appropriations are then allocated by the office in an equitable manner to the charter schools.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education and Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2588 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

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NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Chair



