

SB 2901 RELATING TO FUNDING OF CHARTER SCHOOLS

Senate Committee on Education and Housing

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The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) $\underline{\text{SUPPORTS}}$ SB 2901, which

provides a charter school or public school, as applicable, with a pro rata share of per pupil funds when a student transfers from a public school to a charter school, or vice versa, subsequent to the annual charter school student enrollment verification. This bill seeks to remedy a situation that has sideswiped charter schools in the past. While it does not remedy the larger disparity in funding between charter schools and regular public schools, it does ameliorate fiscal conditions for charter and regular schools by facilitating the transfer and transitioning of resources between schools.

Therefore, OHA urges the committee to PASS SB 2901. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.