

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

965

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 2011

RE: H.B. No. 1540

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2011  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 1540 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend section 4 of Act 125, Session Laws of Hawaii 2008, to make permanent the provisions in section 302A-804, Hawaii Revised Statutes, that:

- (1) Reduce the maximum employment period for teachers hired on an emergency basis by the Department of Education from four years to three years; and
- (2) Require those unlicensed teachers hired on an emergency basis prior to July 1, 2008, to attain licensure within four years from the date of employment.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education and Hawaii State Teachers Association. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that making permanent the provisions of Act 125, Session Laws of Hawaii 2008, provides for better alignment of the Hawaii teacher licensing requirements with the criteria for highly qualified teachers as prescribed by the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, Public Law 107-110, as well as Hawaii's Race to the Top efforts.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1540, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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



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JILL TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB1540	EDU, WAM	3-23-11		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
TOKUDA, Jill N. (C)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	/			
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.	/			
SLOM, Sam				/
<b>TOTAL</b>	5	0	0	1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Michelle N. Kidani</i>				
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