

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1294

Honolulu, Hawaii  
April 1, 2011

RE: H.R. No. 201  
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2011  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.R. No. 201 entitled:

"HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ACCEPT THE NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED AMERICAN COLLEGE TESTING (ACT) SCHOLASTIC APTITUDE EXAMINATION RESULTS FOR DETERMINING IF A SCHOOL IS MEETING 'NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND' COMPLIANCE, "

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this resolution is to more efficiently and accurately assess student performance in certain grades by urging the Superintendent of Education to prepare a letter to the United States Department of Education and the United States Congress asking that states be allowed to accept the American College Testing Scholastic Aptitude examination as a benchmark for determining compliance by school districts for applicable grade levels with federal No Child Left Behind requirements.

The Hawaii State Teachers Association and several concerned individuals supported this measure. The Department of Education (DOE) opposed this measure.

Your Committee has amended this resolution by:

- (1) Amending its title to clarify the name of the exam to read: "URGING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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TO ACCEPT THE NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED ACT COLLEGE  
ADMISSION EXAM RESULTS FOR DETERMINING IF A SCHOOL IS  
MEETING "NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND" COMPLIANCE";

- (2) Requesting that DOE review whether the ACT is an appropriate substitution for the Hawaii State Assessment and what the potential associated costs may be; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.R. No. 201, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.R. No. 201, H.D. 1.

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

  
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ROY TAKUMI, Chair



