

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1519

Honolulu, Hawaii

April 8, 2011

RE: S.B. No. 289
S.D. 2
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 Finance, to which was referred S.B. No. 289, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to continue to support early child development and parent education in a fiscally responsible manner by:

- (1) Requiring the Families for R.E.A.L. Program to develop a plan:
 - (A) To cover an unspecified percent of its program costs beginning July 1, 2013; and
 - (B) That includes a strategy to transition the Families for R.E.A.L. Program into assuming a larger statewide role;
- (2) Requiring any appropriation for the Families for R.E.A.L. Program to be matched with private funds at an unspecified ratio; and
- (3) Making an appropriation in an unspecified amount for the Families for R.E.A.L. Program.

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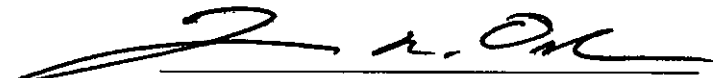
The Early Learning Council and many concerned individuals supported this bill. The Department of Education and several concerned individuals offered comments:

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2030, 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 S.B. No. 289, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 289, S.D. 2, H.D. 1.

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



MARCUS R. OSHIRO, Chair



