

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 20 , 2012

RE: S.B. No. 2969
S.D. 1
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 2969, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EARLY LEARNING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to support early learning programs in the state by establishing a state income tax designation of \$25 to be paid into the Early Learning Trust Fund when designated by individual taxpayers.

The Early Learning Council, Good Beginnings Alliance, Hawaii Association for the Education of Young Children, and a concerned individual supported this bill. The Department of Human Services supported the intent of this measure. The Tax Foundation of Hawaii provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this bill by:

- (1) Inserting the income designation created by this measure into the already-existing section of the Hawaii Revised Statutes authorizing various other income designations; and
- (2) Making additional technical, nonsubstantive amendments for consistency.



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 S.B. No. 2969, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2969, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



ROY TAKUMI, Chair



State of Hawaii
 House of Representatives
 The Twenty-sixth Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Education

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2969, S01	Committee Referral: EDN, FIN	Date: 3/14/2012		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
EDN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKUMI, Roy M. (C)	X			
2. BELATTI, Della Au (VC)	X			
3. AQUINO, Henry J.C.				X
4. AWANA, Karen L.	X			
5. CHANG, Jerry L.				X
6. HANOHANO, Faye P.		X		
7. MIZUNO, John M.				X
8. NAKASHIMA, Mark M.	X			
9. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	X			
10. OKAMURA, Tom				
11. SAIKI, Scott K.				X
12. TAKAI, K. Mark	X			
13. WOOLEY, Jessica	X			
14. FONTAINE, George R.	X			
15. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling	X			
TOTAL (15)	9	1		4
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align:center; margin-left: 200px;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____ <i>Della A Belatti</i> _____				
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