

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

472

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2013

RE: S.B. No. 238

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2013  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 238 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 the definition of "student instructional hours" for elementary and secondary schools.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education, Hawaii Association of Independent Schools, Hui for Excellence in Education, and IMUAlliance. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from the Hawaii State Teachers Association and Hawaii Educational Policy Center.

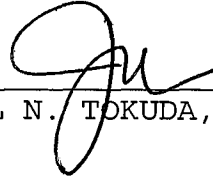
Your Committee finds that the definition of "student instructional hours" provided for in this measure will give the Department of Education greater flexibility and focus the discussion of instructional time around students and increasing access and opportunities to those teachable moments where students learn best. It will also help to improve instruction and increase student engagement by encouraging project-based learning, technology-assisted learning, and all other activities to which a general learner outcome is attached.

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. 238



and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

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



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JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB238	EDU	2-6-13		
<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)	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.				✓
SLOM, Sam				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>2</b>
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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