Honolulu, Hawaii **Penny 18**, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 1676 H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki Speaker, House of Representatives Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 1676, H.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 expand access to early childhood education in the State by authorizing the Executive Office on Early Learning to enter into agreements with the Department of Education or any public charter school to use vacant classrooms, underutilized classrooms, or classrooms currently being used for preschool for public preschool classrooms, and appropriating funds for this purpose.

The Executive Office on Early Learning, State Public Charter School Commission, Department of Human Services, Early Learning Advisory Board, PHOCUSED, The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, University of Hawaii at Manoa College of Education, Hui for Excellence in Education, Good Beginnings Alliance, IMUAlliance, Hawaii Community Foundation, and numerous individuals supported this measure. The Hawaii State Teachers Association, Hawaii Association for the Education of Young Children, and Kamehameha Schools commented on this measure.

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 H.B. No. 1676, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

SYLVIA LUKE, Chair

Record of Votes of the Committee on Finance

Bill/Resolution No.:	Committee Referral:		Date:	
HB 1676, HD1	EDN, FIN		2/25/2014	
☐ The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) U Hold				
☐ Pass sh	nort form bill with HD to recor	mmit for future publ	ic hearing (recomm	uit)
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. LUKE, Sylvia (C)				
2. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y. (VC)				
3. JOHANSON, Aaron Ling (VC)				
4. CULLEN, Ty J.K.				
5. HASHEM, Mark J.				
6. ING, Kaniela				
7. JORDAN, Jo				
8. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand		Thirte control and the control of th	Besignation burels, our decays — closed to	. bit/size we receive if Elevistic Mintelligation and operations of the
9. LOWEN, Nicole E.				
10. MORIKAWA, Dee		S Mark Court State		n ding
11. ONISHI, Richard H.K.				
12. TAKAYAMA, Gregg				Yokasaran Mayanaran
13. TOKIOKA, James Kunane				
14. WOODSON, Justin H.				
15. YAMASHITA, Kyle T.				
16. FUKUMOTO, Beth				
17. WARD, Gene				
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TOTAL (17)	(+			
The recommendation is: Adopted If joint referral, did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature:				
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