

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 11, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 1971
H.D. 2

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 1971, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to allow administrative, support, and instructional employees in charter schools to receive sick leave, vacation, and leave-sharing benefits as well as additional support and incentives offered by the Department of Education, including hard-to-staff incentives, National Board certification incentives, special education teacher incentives, bonuses for completion of probation, and teacher licensing fees.

The Department of Education, Hawaii State Teachers Association, Hawaii Government Employees Association, United Public Workers, and a concerned individual supported the measure. The State Public Charter School Commission, Hawaii Public Charter Schools Network, and Hookakoo Corporation submitted comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by adding that the provisions of any collective-bargaining supplemental agreements will also apply to administrative, support, and instructional employees of charter schools.

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 H.B. No.

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1971, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1971, H.D. 2.

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



ROY M. TAKUMI, Chair



