

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2003**

Honolulu, Hawaii

JAN 29 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2425

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 2425 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII 3R'S,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Rename the Hawaii 3R's school repair and maintenance fund as the Hawaii 3R's school improvement fund; and
- (2) Require the transfer of monies collected pursuant to section 235-102.5(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, and any other monies received in the form of grants and donations for school-level improvement and minor repairs and maintenance to the Hawaii 3R's school improvement fund.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education, Hawaiian Electric Company, Hawaii 3R's, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that for more than a decade, Hawaii 3R's provided a valuable service of bringing much needed improvements to the public schools. Section 235-102.5(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, enables taxpayers to elect to make donations toward the school-level minor repairs and maintenance special fund by checking off a box on their individual income tax return. When passed, the section was intended to facilitate funding for the repair and maintenance of Hawaii's public schools. This measure




ensures that the monies received through the taxpayer-elected donations are transferred to Hawaii 3R's for the continued improvement of Hawaii's schools.

This measure also recognizes Hawaii 3R's changing role in building a greater sense of community around the schools it assists and allows monies to be applied to projects that facilitate a broader array of educational purposes.

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. 2425 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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



JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* SB2425	Committee Referral: EDU, WAM	Date: 1-27-14		
<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)	✓			
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
RUDERMAN, Russell E.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	5	0	0	0
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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*Only one measure per Record of Votes