

Honolulu, Hawaii
March 4, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2269
H.D. 2

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 2269, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Expand the National Board Certification Incentive Program to include school psychologists to provide greater monetary incentives for this profession; and
- (2) Authorize continuing monetary bonuses for public school teachers, counselors, and school psychologists in designated high-need schools that improve and become no longer designated as a high-need school.

The Hawaii State Teachers Association; the Hawaii Association of School Psychologists; the Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO; and one individual testified in support of this measure. The Department of Education and one individual provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the additional monetary bonus for teachers and school psychologists in designated high-need schools



that improve and become no longer designated as such from \$5,000 to an unspecified amount; and

- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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. 2269, H.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2269, H.D. 2.

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



SYLVIA LUKE, Chair



