

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEBRUARY 18, 2015

RE: H.B. No. 463

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 463 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to make housekeeping changes to codify the long-standing Board of Education and Hawaii State Public Library System practice of delegating certain duties and responsibilities that were initially assigned to the Board of Education, to the State Librarian and the Hawaii State Public Library System.

Among other things, the State Librarian shall:

- (1) Acquire all books and publications for libraries; expend moneys appropriated by the Legislature or otherwise acquired for the development, use, support and maintenance of libraries; place libraries within reach of all residents and public and private students in the State; enter into contracts to effect its general duties; appoint officers and employees as necessary; and adopt rules for the management and use of libraries and properties under its management; and
- (2) Report to the Governor the moneys received from all sources and expended for all purposes during the preceding year.



The Hawaii State Public Library System testified in support of the measure and proposed an amendment to the measure.

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. 463 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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



ROY M. TAKUMI, Chair



