

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

234

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 18 2015

RE: S.B. No. 1346

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Education and Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.B. No. 1346 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEACHERS,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend the probationary period required of licensed charter school teachers, who are not tenured in the Department of Education, upon entering or returning to the Department of Education.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education. Your Committees received comments on this measure from the State Public Charter School Commission, Hawaii State Teachers Association, and Hawaii Public Charter Schools Network.

Your Committees find that this measure provides necessary revisions to allow the Department of Education to align probationary requirements for all incoming teachers. It corrects the existing inequity that allows a licensed charter school teacher to enter or return to the Department of Education and gain tenure after only one year, whereas licensed Department of Education teachers must serve three years of probation. The three-year probationary period is necessary to provide sufficient time for principals to observe and support probationary teachers before awarding tenure.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Education and Judiciary and Labor that are attached

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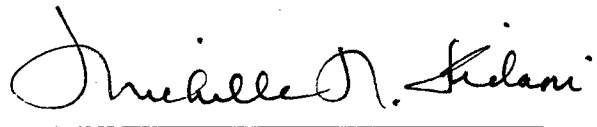


to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 1346 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Education and Judiciary and Labor,




GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN Chair



MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair

The Senate
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Education
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SB 1346	EDU / JDL, WAM	2/13/15		
<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
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				✓
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
TOTAL	7			2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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