

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 17 2016

RE: S.B. No. 2593  
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2016  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 2593 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish a debit card system for teachers to purchase curriculum and classroom supplies.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Teachers Association, IMUAlliance, and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Education and State Procurement Office.

Your Committee finds that teachers in Hawaii frequently purchase supplies and curriculum materials for their classes at their own expense. A recent study performed by the Hawaii State Teachers Association showed that forty-seven percent of teachers spent between \$250 and \$500 annually on classroom expenses. Such expenses directly benefit students and should be borne by the Department of Education, however your Committee notes that the State Procurement Code should apply to purchases made under the proposed program.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Replacing all references to "debit cards" with "declining balance debit cards";



- (2) Requiring that declining debit card purchases comply with the State Procurement Code; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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. 2593, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2593, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

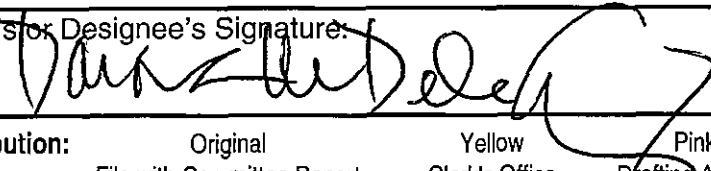


MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Education**  
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Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB2593</b>	Committee Referral: <b>EDU, WAM</b>	Date: <b>8/10/16</b>		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" 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.	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
SLOM, Sam				/
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>2</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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