

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2979

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 22 2016

RE: S.R. No. 20

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.R.
No. 20 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO
INCLUDE WITHIN THE COMMITTEE ON WEIGHTS AT LEAST ONE MEMBER
WHO IS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION COMMUNITY,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to encourage the
Board of Education to include at least one individual who is a
representative of the special education community on the Committee
on Weights.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Hawaii State Teachers Association. Your Committee
received comments on this measure from the Department of
Education.

Your Committee finds that students with disabilities
requiring special education are diverse and have a wide range of
needs that are different from those of the student body as a
whole. Special education teachers are often required to tailor
the curriculum to the specific needs of the student. Currently,
special education programs face shortages of resources and
qualified teachers. Representation by the special education
community on the Committee of Weights may help to resolve or
mitigate these serious issues.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your
Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your

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Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 20 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

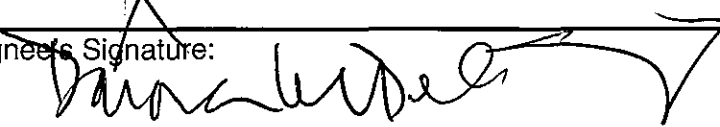


MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Education
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Bill / Resolution No.:* SR 20	Committee Referral: EDU, WAM	Date: 3/18/16		
<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.	/			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i	/			
RIVIERE, Gil	/			
SLOM, Sam				/
TOTAL	5			2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes