

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2941

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 14 2018

RE: H.B. No. 1941
H.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 1941, H.D. 1, 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 and appropriate funds for one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) world languages institutional support position within the Department of Education.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education, Office of Language Access, Hawaii State Teachers Association, Native Hawaiian Education Council, HawaiiKidsCAN, Tinalak Filipino Education Council, Hawai'i Friends of Civil Rights, iLAING Program, Hawai'i Association of Language Teachers, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and numerous individuals.

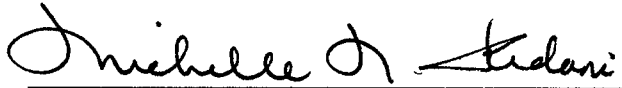
Your Committee finds that it is important to create a more culturally-responsive policy climate that embraces the opportunities of Hawaii's diverse ethnic and heterogeneous linguistic population. Recognizing the important role of multilingualism in providing a meaningful and equitable education for student achievement, the Board of Education approved policies that promote high proficiency in English or Hawaiian and an additional language. These policies, based on long-standing



research showing the effectiveness of language education for student achievement, support the teaching and learning of languages to fuel economic growth and support international business, military and diplomatic relations, workforce development, and global competence. This measure will support the respective goals of the Board and Department.

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. 1941, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading 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-Ninth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 1941, HD1	EDU, WAM	3/12/18		
<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)	X			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i (VC)				X
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				X
ESPERO, Will	X			
KIM, Donna Mercado	X			
TOTAL	3			2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
<i>Will Espero</i>				
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