

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 16, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2508
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 2508 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide funding to the State Public Charter School Commission for charter school infrastructure costs, rent or lease assistance, and the repair and maintenance of network infrastructure.

The State Public Charter School Commission, Hawaii Public Charter Schools Network, Volcano School of Arts & Sciences, Ke Kula 'o Samuel M. Kamakau Laboratory Public Charter School, DreamHouse 'Ewa Beach, HawaiiKidsCAN, Hawaii State Teachers Association, Hawaii Children's Action Network, Native Hawaiian Education Council, Kamehameha Schools, Kanu o ka 'Āina, and numerous individuals testified in support of this measure. The Office of Hawaiian Affairs and two individuals provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2025; and




- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

Should this measure be deliberated by the Committee on Finance, your Committee respectfully requests that it consider the appropriation amount of \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2018-2019 for the State Public Charter School Commission to allocate to charter schools for infrastructure costs, rent or lease assistance, and repair and maintenance of network infrastructure.

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. 2508, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2508, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



JUSTIN F. WOODSON, Chair



