

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1063

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 2017

RE: H.B. No. 492  
H.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2017  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 492, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TEACHER STANDARDS BOARD,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate monies for two specialist II positions within the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board, State Public Charter School Commission, Hawaii State Teachers Association, University of Hawaii at Manoa College of Education, and five individuals.


Your Committee finds that, since 2012, the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board funding is based solely on teacher licensing fees, including funding for staff and personnel positions. Your Committee further finds that, prior to 2012, monies for two specialists to support day to day licensing functions of the Board was provided by the general fund of the State. Your Committee additionally finds that licensing fees have not been sufficient to meet the financial needs of the Board, forcing the Board to reduce its staff to the minimum necessary to perform only its basic functions. This measure will support the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board in its mission to maintain licensing standards and perform



licensure testing by restoring general fund monies for the Board's specialist staff positions.

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. 492, H.D. 2, 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,



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MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>HB 492, HD2</b>	Committee Referral: <b>EDU, WAM</b>	Date: <b>3/15/17</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 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)	✓			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i (VC)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				✓
ESPERO, Will	✓			
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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