

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

294

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 14, 2017

RE: H.B. No. 493

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 493 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to address overcrowding in Hawaii's public schools through innovative means by providing funding for start-up grants to assist new pre-opening charter schools.

The State Public Charter School Commission, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Hawaii Public Charter Schools Network, Kamehameha Schools, and three concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. The Hawaii State Teachers Association and IMUAlliance testified in opposition to this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the appropriation amount from \$200,000 to an unspecified amount; and
- (2) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2051, to facilitate further discussion.



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. 493, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 493, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



ROY M. TAKUMI, Chair



Record of Votes of the Committee on Education

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 493	Committee Referral: EDN, FIN	Date: 2/8/17
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The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.

The recommendation is to: Pass, unamended (as is) Pass, with amendments (HD) Hold
 Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)

EDN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKUMI, Roy M. (C)	X			
2. HAR, Sharon E. (VC)	X			
3. CREAGAN, Richard P.	X			
4. HASHEM, Mark J.	X			
5. ING, Kaniela	X			
6. OHNO, Takashi	X			
7. ONISHI, Richard H.K.	X			
8. WOODSON, Justin H.	X			
9. MATSUMOTO, Lauren Kealohilani	X			
TOTAL (9)	9			

The recommendation is: Adopted Not Adopted
 if joint referral, _____ committee acronym(s) _____ did not support recommendation.

Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____
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