

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2193

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 02 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2384

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2384 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to promote the expansion of Hawaii's computer science education curricula to include the fields of design thinking and coding.

Specifically, this measure requires the Department of Education to:

- (1) Develop a comprehensive plan to integrate design thinking and coding into the curricula of the State's middle, intermediate, and high schools; and
- (2) Submit the plan and any proposed legislation to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2019.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from Transform Hawaii Government, the OCC Legislative Priorities Committee of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, and one concerned individual.

Your Committee received written comments on this measure from the Department of Education.



Your Committee believes that introducing students to complex computer science concepts early in their education will prepare students for highly-skilled careers. Accordingly, encouraging Hawaii's students to learn design thinking and coding will help to develop a competitive information technology workforce in Hawaii and help to position Hawaii as a future leader in the information technology industry.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2384 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

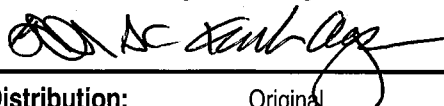
Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ways and Means,


DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* SB 2384	Committee Referral: EDU, WAM	Date: 2/23/18		
<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
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)	X			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	X			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood	X			
HARIMOTO, Breene	X			
INOUYE, Lorraine R.	X			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i	X			
KIDANI, Michelle N.	X			
RIVIERE, Gil	X			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.				X
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
TOTAL	10			1
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