

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 3070
S.D. 2
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 S.B. No. 3070, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to encourage students to pursue teaching degrees in needed areas by:

- (1) Establishing the Hawaii Teacher Stipend Program (Stipend Program) to be administered by the Department of Education (DOE) to address the shortfall of licensed teachers in DOE schools, especially in identified shortage areas;
- (2) Creating the Hawaii Teacher Stipend Program Special Fund to provide ongoing funding of stipends to students in the Program, or any successor programs, and related costs; and
- (3) Appropriating funds to establish and implement the Stipend Program.

Hawaii Teacher Standards Board, Hui for Excellence in Education Coalition, Hawaii State Teachers Association,



IMUAlliance, and three individuals supported this measure. The Department of Budget and Finance and DOE provided comments on this measure.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Specifying that stipend recipients are required to teach in the Hawaii public school system for three to five consecutive years, to be determined by the DOE, as licensed teachers immediately following completion of a state-approved teacher education program;
- (2) Appropriating an unspecified amount out of the Hawaii Teacher Stipend Program Special Fund to establish and implement the Stipend Program; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

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 S.B. No. 3070, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 3070, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



JUSTIN H. WOODSON, Chair



