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HB500

Submitted on: 3/15/2017

Testimony for EDU on Mar 15, 2017 14:45PM in Conference Room 229

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kim Johnston	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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To: Senator Michelle Kidani, Chair
Senator Kaiali'i Kahele, Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Education

From: Noelani Lee Yamashita, Local Advisory Panel, Parent
Kualapuu School

SUBJECT: HB 500. HD 1 – RELATING TO PUBLIC PREKINDERGARTEN PROGRAMS

Hearing Date: March 15, 2017

Time: 2:45 p.m.

Location: Conference Room 229

Purpose of Bill: Authorizes the Executive Office on Early Learning to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the State Public Charter School Commission to administer charter school prekindergarten classrooms. Appropriates moneys to continue funding of public prekindergarten classrooms.

In support of Kualapuu School, I am writing IN SUPPORT of HB 500 H.D. 1 – Relating to Public Prekindergarten Programs.

HB 500 H.D. 1 will authorize the executive office on early learning to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the Hawaii state public charter school commission to administer the charter school prekindergarten classrooms. This will sustain the 18 high quality prekindergarten programs in charter schools currently funded by the federal Preschool Development Grant beginning school year 2018-2019.

Sustaining this high quality prekindergarten program means that children on Molokai, like my son, Kauluwai, who received the benefits of Kualapuu's prekindergarten in 2015/16, will receive the best possible start to their education, offering a brighter hope for their future. Mahalo for supporting this bill.

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Jerry Wayne FlowersJr	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Aloha All, Lets make Education great again and please keep funding the fundamental parts such as Pre Kindergarten that lay the foundation and grounds for education in our little ladies and gentlemen. I know and understand that education and teaching starts at home, however, not all our young Keikis are as fortunate to receive this opportunity. So I write this in support for the Charter Schools to continue doing what they do. Lets let the Teachers Teach and leave the political issues to the politicians. In closing, Please remember where we all have started and lets keep giving our future Keiki's this golden opportunity. From one teacher to another I FULLY STAND WITH MY FELLOW TEACHERS AND SUPPORT THEM IN ALL THEY DO. I SUPPORT THIS BILL 125%

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To: Senator Michelle Kidani, Chair
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Kualapu'u School

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Sustaining this high quality prekindergarten program means that our community will have a high quality preschool program available to children who need it the most. The Pre-K program has helped student be ready for kindergarten. The social, academic, cognitive, physical, and interpersonal skills we teach them in the early years is an indicator of success throughout their elementary years. The relationship the pre-k students create with the teachers and staff members help them transition to kindergarten a lot easier. Please help to sustain the current and successful pre-k program at Kualapu'u Charter School.