

STAND. COM. REP. NO.



Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 19 , 2021

RE: H.C.R. No. 53

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 53 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE A REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE ON PUBLIC SCHOOL CLASS SIZES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of Education to provide a report to the Legislature providing certain information on public school class sizes.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawaii State Teachers Association. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Education.

Your Committee finds that class-size reduction is an evidence-based reform that has been proven to increase student achievement. As demonstrated in other jurisdictions, small class sizes have led to students scoring better on standardized tests, receiving better grades, and exhibiting improved attendance. This measure will provide policymakers with accurate data on class sizes to make further informed policy decision-making.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your


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Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 53 and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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


JUSTIN H. WOODS, Chair



