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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.B. No. 2184

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2022 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 2184 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DIGITAL LEARNING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish a digital learning center within the Department of Education; and
- (2) Appropriate funds for the staffing and administration of the center.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education, National Federation of the Blind Hawaii, Hawaii Chamber of Commerce, and one individual. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Budget and Finance.

Your Committee finds that digital learning will continue to be a critical component of education in the twenty-first century. Your Committee further finds that digital learning has the potential to promote the equitable delivery of high-quality educational offerings to students statewide. Your Committee additionally finds that the Department of Education needs a comprehensive and dedicated operation to manage the quality and delivery of digital learning services.

Accordingly, this measure is necessary to promote the equitable delivery of high-quality digital learning tools and services to students statewide.

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. 2184 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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

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MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair

The Senate Thirty-First Legislature State of Hawai'i

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The Committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.					
If so, then the previous decision was to:					
The Recommendation is:					
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)					
KIM, Donna Mercado (VC)					
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.					
KANUHA, Dru Mamo					
FEVELLA, Kurt	 -				
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