

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **2023**

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 11 2022

RE: S.B. No. 2545  
S.D. 1

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. 2545 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMPOSTING GRANT PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to establish a permanent school composting grant program within the Department of Education.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Hawai'i Farm to School Hui, Hawai'i Farm Bureau, Center for Getting Things Started, and six individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Education.

Your Committee finds that on-site school campus composting programs involving students have been successful in providing a beneficial method of waste diversion. These programs provide numerous benefits to students, taxpayers, and the environment. Accordingly, this measure will provide a broad range of benefits to schools and the larger community by establishing a permanent school composting grant program.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:



- (1) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2050, to encourage further discussion; and
- (2) Making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

Your Committee notes that the Department of Education submitted comments that this measure does not contain the necessary funding for the program.

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. 2545, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2545, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

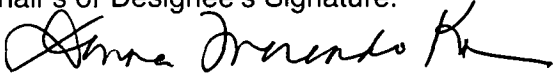
Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Education,

  
MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate  
Thirty-First Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes  
Committee on Education  
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Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 2545</b>	Committee Referral: <b>EDU, WAM</b>	Date: <b>02/07/22</b>		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado (VC)	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	/			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo	/			
FEVELLA, Kurt	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>			
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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