STAND. COM. REP. NO. 781

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 0 5 2021

RE: S.B. No. 509 S.D. 2

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 509, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to incentivize public high schools in the State to strategically prepare students for the workforce by encouraging industry certification in "high value" occupations.

More specifically, the measure:

- (1) Incentivizes public high schools to encourage students to obtain industry certification in high value occupations by requiring the Department of Education to establish high value employment criteria for industry certification awards to public high schools; and
- (2) Appropriates moneys to the Department of Education to carry out this purpose.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.

The Department of Education submitted written comments on the measure.

Your Committee finds that the State's critical shortages of qualified local workers in sectors such as health, education, air travel, and technology will be addressed by having public high schools encourage their students to pursue industry certification in high value occupations.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Replacing specific references to private cross-sector partner organizations with a non-specific description of an organizational mission;
- (2) Deleting the appropriation to the Department of Education and any appropriation-related language; and
- (3) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 509, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 509, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Ways and Means,

DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ,

The Senate Thirty-First Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee	Committee Referral:		Date:		
SB 509, SD 1	EDU, WAM		2/26/21			
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 (W	'R)	Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)		X				
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)		X				
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		X				
INOUYE, Lorraine R.		X				
KANUHA, Dru Mamo		×				
KIDANI, Michelle N.		X				
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.		X				
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.						X
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.		X				
WAKAI, Glenn		X				
FEVELLA, Kurt		X				
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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted						
Chair's or Designee's Signature:						
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