STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 171

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.C.R. No. 171 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND STATE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION TO PRIORITIZE THE HIRING OF DEDICATED STAFF TO MANAGE FEDERAL SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAMS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to urge the Department of Education and State Public Charter School Commission to prioritize the hiring of dedicated staff for each school campus to manage federal school meal programs, including the National School Lunch Program, and to seek any related federal funding.

Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Education.

Your Committee finds that access to school meals are an important part of a child's health and well-being. Your Committee further finds that federal meal assistance programs are not being fully utilized, particularly in rural areas, due in part to a lack of necessary staffing to administer and operate the programs. Accordingly, this measure promotes access to school meals by requesting the Department of Education and State Public Charter School Commission to prioritize staffing to administer and operate school meal programs and to seek federal funding for such staffing to the fullest extent possible.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 171 and recommends its adoption.

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

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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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Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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