

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1467

Honolulu, Hawaii

**MAR 23**

, 2023

RE: S.B. No. 1596  
S.D. 1  
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Thirty-Second State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2023  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 1596, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOL CAMPUSES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Establish and appropriate funds for a Maui Campus Housing Pilot Program under the School Facilities Authority to make housing available to employees at schools in the Lahainaluna and Kulanihako'i complexes; and
- (2) Require the School Facilities Authority and Department of Education to submit reports to the Legislature on the Pilot Program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the School Facilities Authority, one member of the Maui County Council, Hawaii State Teachers Association, and Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO.

Your Committee finds that Hawaii must seek new opportunities to attract and retain quality school teachers, specialized staff,

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and administrators. Your Committee further finds that employee housing that is affordable will increase recruitment and retention of school employees. Your Committee notes that many school campuses, particularly those in rural areas and on the neighbor islands, offer an opportunity to provide on-campus housing for school employees. This measure establishes a pilot program to plan, design, and construct housing for employees of schools in the Lahainaluna and Kulanihakoi complexes to explore the possibilities of housing school employees in all public school campuses.

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. 1596, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

  
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JUSTIN H. WOODSON, Chair



