STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1712

Honolulu, Hawaii

## APR 0 4 2025

RE:

H.B. No. 1065

H.D. 1 S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-Third State Legislature Regular Session of 2025 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1065, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR SPECIAL FUND,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to amend statutory language related to the early childhood educator special fund.

More specifically, the measure:

- (1) Retroactively requires stipend funds repaid after July 1, 2023, by a stipend recipient under the Hawaii Early Educator Stipend Program to be deposited into the early learning special fund; and
- (2) Repeals the early childhood educator special fund.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Early Learning Board, Executive Office on Early Learning, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that this housekeeping measure will provide needed clarity about the deposit of any funds repaid by participants in the Hawaii Early Educator Stipend Program.

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 H.B. No. 1065, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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

DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair

## The Senate Thirty-Third Legislature State of Hawai'i

## Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:			Date:	
HB1065 HD1 SD1	EDU, WAM			4/1/2025	
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 (WF	R) Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)		X			
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y. (VC)		X			
AQUINO, Henry J.C.		X			
DECOITE, Lynn				1	×
ELEFANTE, Brandon J.C.		×			
HASHIMOTO, Troy N.					
INOUYE, Lorraine R.		X			
KANUHA, Dru Mamo		×			
KIDANI, Michelle N.		X X X			
KIM, Donna Mercado		X			
LEE, Chris		X			
WAKAI, Glenn		X			
FEVELLA, Kurt		X			
TOTAL		7	0	D	1
Recommendation:  Adopted  Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's/Signature:					
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