

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

964

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 , 2025

RE: H.B. No. 692
H.D. 1

Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2025
State of Hawaii

Madame:

Your Committee on Finance, to which was referred H.B. No. 692, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PRESCHOOL OPEN DOORS PROGRAM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Expand the Preschool Open Doors Program's eligibility criteria; and
- (2) Repeal the requirement that Preschool Open Doors Program providers be accredited.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Office of the Lieutenant Governor; Department of Human Services; Early Learning Board; Executive Office on Early Learning; Department of Community Services of the City and County of Honolulu; Kamehameha Schools; Parents And Children Together; Ka Ohana O Na Pua; Indivisible Hawai'i Statewide Network; Pride at Work - Hawai'i; American Association of University Women of Hawaii; Save Medicaid Hawaii; Kalaheo Elementary School PTSA; Hawaii Clubhouse Coalition; Hawai'i State Coalition Against Domestic Violence; and numerous individuals. Your Committee received



comments on this measure from the Early Childhood Action Strategy and Hawai'i Children's Action Network Speaks!.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Finance that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 692, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



KYLE T. YAMASHITA, Chair



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Bill/Resolution No.: HB 092, HD 1	Committee Referral: HST, FIN	Date: 2/24/25		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
FIN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. YAMASHITA, Kyle T. (C)	/			
2. TAKENOUCHI, Jenna (VC)	/			
3. GRANDINETTI, Tina Nakada	/			
4. HOLT, Daniel	/			
5. HUSSEY, Ikaika	/			
6. KEOHOKAPU-LEE LOY, Sue L.	/			
7. KITAGAWA, Lisa	/			
8. KUSCH, Matthias	/			
9. LAMOSAO, Rachele F.	/			
10. LEE, Mike	/			
11. MIYAKE, Tyson K.	/			
12. MORIKAWA, Dee	/			
13. TEMPLO, Shirley Ann	/			
14. ALCOS III, David	/			
15. REYES ODA, Julie	/			
16. WARD, Gene				/
TOTAL (16)	15	0	0	1
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. committee acronym(s)				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: _____				
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