

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

562

Honolulu, Hawaii

, 2025

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RE: H.B. No. 904

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 Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 904 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to repeal the requirement for the Board of Education to annually report to the Legislature, Governor, and the public on public charter schools.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Board of Education. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from Wai'alaie Elementary Public Charter School; Hawaii Public Charter Schools Network; and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the State Public Charter School Commission is required to submit a comprehensive annual report to the Legislature that details the items the Board of Education is also required to report on. Your Committee further finds that this measure will eliminate duplicative reporting requirements between the State Public Charter School Commission and Board of Education.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

(1) Inserting a preamble;

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- (2) Changing the effective date to July 1, 3000; and
- (3) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

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 H.B. No. 904, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 904, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



JUSTIN H. WOODSON, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Thirty-third Legislature

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Record of Votes of the Committee on Education

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 904	Committee Referral: EDN, FIN	Date: 2/6/25		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" 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)				
EDN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. WOODSON, Justin H. (C)	—			
2. LA CHICA, Trish (VC)	—			
3. AMATO, Terez	—			
4. EVSLIN, Luke A.	—			
5. GARRETT, Andrew Takuya	—			
6. KAPELA, Jeanne	—			
7. KILA, Darius K.	—			
8. OLDS, Ikaika	—			
9. SAYAMA, Jackson D.	—			
10. MURAOKA, Christopher L.	—			
11. SOUZA, Kanani	—			
TOTAL (11)	11			
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: <u>Trish La Chica</u>				
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