

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 329
H.D. 2
S.D. 2
C.D. 1

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

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

Madam and Sir:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 329, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE SCHOOL FACILITIES AUTHORITY,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to:

- (1) Specify that the School Facilities Authority is responsible for projects related to:
 - (A) Certain facilities for prekindergarten, preschool, child care, and early learning programs;
 - (B) Workforce housing, under certain conditions;

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- (C) Construction projects on other state or county property, as authorized by the Legislature; and
 - (D) Any public school development, planning, or construction assigned by the Legislature, Governor, or Board of Education;
- (2) Authorize the School Facilities Authority to partner with public and private development agencies to develop prekindergarten facilities; and
 - (3) Appropriate funds for the planning and construction of:
 - (A) A new middle school in Central Maui;
 - (B) A new elementary school in Lahaina; and
 - (C) A teacher housing project in Mililani.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing language that:
 - (A) Authorizes workforce housing for educators and other education works to be constructed on school property or other property;
 - (B) Clarifies that the School Facility Authority is responsible for construction projects on other state or county property, as authorized by the Legislature; and
 - (C) Clarifies that the School Facilities Authority is not responsible for the repair and maintenance of any Department of Education facilities;
- (2) Allowing the School Facilities Authority to use the Department of Education for certain recruitment and hiring responsibilities;
- (3) Clarifying that the School Facilities Authority may partner with public and private development agencies to develop prekindergarten, preschool, child care, and early learning program facilities;



- (4) Changing the appropriation for the planning and construction of a new middle school in Central Maui to \$2,000,000;
- (5) Inserting an appropriation of \$2,000,000 for the planning and construction of a workforce housing project in Mililani;
- (6) Removing the appropriation for the planning and construction of:
 - (A) A new elementary school in Lahaina; and
 - (B) A teacher housing project in Mililani;
- (7) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2025; and
- (8) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 329, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 329, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1.



Respectfully submitted on behalf
of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE



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