

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: S.C.R. No. 18
S.D. 1

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2009
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education and Housing, to which was referred S.C.R. No. 18 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE FURTHER SUPPORT FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS THAT LIMIT OR DO NOT OFFER ADVANCED PLACEMENT AND INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE COURSES,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request that the Department of Education provide further support for public schools that limit or do not offer advanced placement and International Baccalaureate courses so that these schools may establish such programs or expand their existing programs.

Testimony in support of this measure was submitted by one individual. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Your Committee finds that numerous studies and educational organizations report a positive correlation between students who complete advanced placement and International Baccalaureate courses, and the students' subsequent success in college and university programs.

Your Committee further finds that advanced placement and International Baccalaureate courses offer additional opportunities for Hawaii's public school students to gain the skills necessary



to thrive in increasingly competitive educational and workforce settings.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Amending the title for the purposes of clarity and consistency; and
- (2) Requesting the Department of Education to report its findings and recommendations to the 2010 Legislature.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education and Housing that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 18, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 18, S.D. 1.

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



NORMAN SAKAMOTO, Chair



