

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3447

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 13 2012

RE: S.C.R. No. 120
S.D. 1

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred
S.C.R. No. 120 entitled:

"SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF
EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO APPLY TO THE UNITED
STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR A WAIVER OF THE
REQUIREMENTS OF THE NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the
Board of Education and the Department of Education to apply for a
waiver of the No Child Left Behind requirements for 2014.

This measure also requests the Board of Education and the
Department of Education to update the Legislature on the status of
the waiver application and conduct an informational briefing on
the status of the waiver during the 2013 Regular Session.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this
measure from Imua Alliance and one individual. Comments on this
measure were received from the Department of Education.

Your Committee finds that although Hawaii student achievement
levels have increased since 2001, it appears unlikely that Hawaii
students will meet the raised standards set for 2014. Application
for a waiver from the requirements is an appropriate course of
action to preserve federal funds.




Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Adding language that requests the Board of Education and the Department of Education to create a plan to improve student achievement and attain high student outcomes, as required by the waiver application; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for the purpose of style.

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 concurs with the intent and purpose of S.C.R. No. 120, as amended herein, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as S.C.R. No. 120, S.D. 1.

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



DAVID V. IGE, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Sixth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Ways and Means
WAM

Bill / Resolution No.:* SCR120	Committee Referral: EDU, WAM	Date: 4-11-12		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311 <input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310 <input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
ESPERO, Will	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado				/
KAHELE, Gilbert				/
KOUCHI, Ronald D.				/
RYAN, Pohai	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
SLOM, Sam				/
TOTAL	10	0	0	4
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Michelle N. Kidani</i>				
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