

Honolulu, Hawaii

March 30, 2012

RE: H.C.R. No. 166
H.D. 1

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred
H.C.R. No. 166 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A MEMORANDUM OF
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND AHA KAULEO
KAIAPUNI HAWAII FOR DEVELOPMENT IN THE HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE OF
THE READING, MATH, SCIENCE, AND OTHER ASSESSMENTS
ADMINISTERED TO STUDENTS IN GRADES THREE THROUGH SIX OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE IMMERSION PROGRAM
AND FORMAL ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY STATUTE OR RULE OF AHA KAULEO
KAIAPUNI HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to request the Department of
Education to establish a Memorandum of Agreement with 'Aha Kauleo
Kaiapuni Hawai'i for the development in the Hawaiian language of
reading, math, science, and other assessments administered to
students in grades three through six of the Department of
Education's Hawaiian Language Immersion Program.

The Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs and a concerned
individual supported the measure. The Department of Education
supported the measure with amendments. The Office of Hawaiian
Affairs offered comments on the measure.



- (1) Deleting language requesting the Department of Education to establish a Memorandum of Agreement with 'Aha Kauleo Kaiapuni Hawai'i for the development in the Hawaiian language of reading, math, science, and other assessments administered to students in grades three through six of the Department of Education's Hawaiian Language Immersion Program;
- (2) Amending its title to read:

"REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND BOARD OF EDUCATION TO FORMALLY ACKNOWLEDGE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF 'AHA KAULEO KAIAPUNI HAWAI'I AND TO CONTINUE TO SUPPORT AND IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF 'AHA KAULEO KAIAPUNI HAWAI'I ON MATTERS RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE IMMERSION PROGRAM";
- (3) Deleting language relating to the developmental costs of the assessments, and the specific standards and procedures of the assessments;
- (4) Adding language that the Department of Education and the Board of Education are urged to continue to support and implement the recommendations of 'Aha Kauleo Kaiapuni Hawai'i on matters relating to the Hawaiian Language Immersion Program; and
- (5) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 166, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Education in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 166, H.D. 1.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Hawaiian Affairs,



FAYE HANOHANO, Chair



