

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2743

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 28 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2975  
S.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2014  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 2975 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EARLY LEARNING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to appropriate funds for the Executive Office on Early Learning to enter into contracts with third party providers for family-child interaction learning programs.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Human Services, Executive Office on Early Learning, Hawaii Association of Independent Schools, Good Beginnings Alliance, Institute for Native Pacific Education and Culture, Hawai'i Association for the Education of Young Children, the Early Learning Advisory Board, PHOCUSED, The Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii, and eighty-nine individuals.

Your Committee finds that an equitable early childhood education is critical to the success of our children and the economic future of our State. Family-child interaction learning programs play a critical role in our State by providing a culturally-relevant educational environment for children ranging from birth through preschool. Family-child interaction learning programs not only help to provide Hawaii's keiki with the social and emotional development needed to enter kindergarten, but these programs also emphasize the critical importance of family in the early learning process.

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Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing its effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on this measure; and
- (2) Making technical nonsubstantive amendments for clarity, consistency, and 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 is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2975, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2975, S.D. 1.


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

  
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DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

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| Bill / Resolution No.:*  | Committee Referral:      | Date:                   |                                  |         |
| SB 2975  | EDU WAM                  | 2-27-14                 |                                  |         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.<br>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   | ✓                        |                         |                                  |         |
| KAHELE, Gilbert  | ✓                        |                         |                                  |         |
| KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.   | ✓                        |                         |                                  |         |
| KOUCHI, Ronald D.  | ✓                        |                         |                                  |         |
| RUDERMAN, Russell E.   | ✓                        |                         |                                  |         |
| THIELEN, Laura H.  | ✓                        |                         |                                  |         |
| TOKUDA, Jill N.  | ✓                        |                         |                                  |         |
| SLOM, Sam  | ✓                        |                         |                                  |         |
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