

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1148

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 27 2015

RE: H.B. No. 1352
H.D. 1

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2015
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 1352, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to require a comprehensive financial, management, and program audit of the Department of Education to assist the Department, Board of Education, Legislature, and executive branch in identifying and addressing any issues necessary to improve the operations of the Department.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Maui Chamber of Commerce and three individuals. Your Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of Education.


Your Committee finds that the Department of Education has grown to be an expansive agency with program costs that account for over fifteen percent of the executive branch's program costs. Considering the volume of funds entering the Department of Education, a comprehensive audit is warranted to help the Department understand how it might reorganize, eliminate redundancies, consolidate programs, or otherwise manage funds more effectively. A thorough audit with quality recommendations, if properly implemented, will yield a more efficient Department of Education which will, in turn, provide value to the State and the taxpayers.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 1352, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

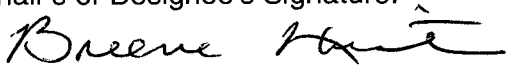


MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Eighth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Education
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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB1352, HD 1	EDU, WAM	3/25/2015		
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312	<input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311	<input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310		
<input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KIDANI, Michelle N. (C)	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)		✓		
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne		✓		
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.				✓
KOUCHI, Ronald D.				✓
NISHIHARA, Clarence K.		✓		
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
SLOM, Sam	✓			
TOTAL	4	3		2
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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