

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 24 2015

RE: S.R. No. 26

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 S.R.  
No. 26 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF  
AGRICULTURE TO INCREASE THE FEDERAL BREAKFAST, LUNCH, AND  
AFTERSCHOOL SNACK REIMBURSEMENT RATES FOR HAWAII,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request the  
United States Secretary of Agriculture to increase the breakfast,  
lunch, and afterschool snack reimbursement rate for Hawaii to  
fifteen percent over the respective reimbursement rates for  
Alaska.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure  
from the Ulupono Initiative and one individual.

Your Committee finds that the school meal program provides  
valuable nutrition for many Hawaii children. The high cost of  
food in Hawaii should be recognized by the United States  
Department of Agriculture, and properly reflected in the  
reimbursement rates for school meals and snacks. Additional  
federal funding for school meals may allow schools to source more  
fresh local foods, which may aid in Hawaii's goal of becoming more  
agriculturally sustainable.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your  
Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your  
Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 26 and  
recommends that it be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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



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MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Eighth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
SR 26	EDU, WAM	3/20/15		
<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		✓		
<b>TOTAL</b>	6	1		2
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <i>Breene Hunt</i>				
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