

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1473

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: H.B. No. 1412  
H.D. 2  
S.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 Ways and Means, to which was referred H.B. No. 1412, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to address the fiscal operations of the Department of Education.

More specifically, this measure:

- (1) Makes permanent the Department of Education's authority to supervise its accounts; and
- (2) Makes corresponding housekeeping amendments to statutory provisions relating to the Department of Education's fiscal operations.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from the Department of Education.

Your Committee finds that Act 321, Session Laws of Hawaii 1986, among other things, granted the Department of Education authority and responsibility over all matters relating to the acquisition of goods and services, pre-audit of payments, and accounting. Pursuant to this authority, the Department of Education developed and has been using its own Financial Management System since the early 1990s. Your Committee further

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finds that the Financial Management System accommodates the unique budgeting and accounting needs of the Department of Education, such as being able to track fund allocations and expenditures in detail to meet state and federal compliance requirements, while also providing the compatibility necessary to fulfill the reporting requirements of the Department of Accounting and General Services.

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 H.B. No. 1412, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

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



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JILL N. TOKUDA, Chair



