

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 938

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 23 2015

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 Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 1412, H.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to permanently grant the Department of Education authority over matters related to its purchase of goods and services, preaudit of payments, and accounting.

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

Your Committee finds that the Department of Education has unique accounting needs. The Department of Education must track allocations and expenditures in detail to meet state and federal compliance requirements. These compliance requirements spurred the Department of Education's move toward its own accounting system when it was first granted authority over purchases, preaudit of payments, and accounting in 1986. Because the Department of Education has managed its accounting appropriately for over twenty years, it is prudent to permanently grant the Department of Education authority over matters related to its purchase of goods and services, preaudit of payments, and accounting.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

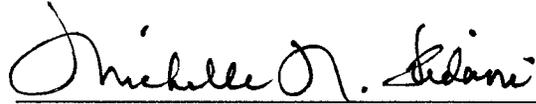
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- (1) Amending relevant session laws to prevent necessary statutory language from being repealed under current sunset provisions; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency.

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. 1412, H.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1412, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

  
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MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



