

Honolulu, Hawaii
February 15, 2018

RE: H.B. No. 2685
H.D. 2

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred H.B. No. 2685, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAIIAN EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to appropriate funds for the Office of Hawaiian Education of the Department of Education to continue the Hawaiian Studies Program in schools as determined by the Office of Hawaiian Education.

The Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu, Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawaii, Kamehameha Schools, Papa Ola Lokahi, Ho'omanapono Political Action Committee, and a few concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. The Center for Hawaiian Sovereignty Studies testified in opposition to this measure. The Department of Education provided comments.

Your Committee has amended this measure by changing its effective date to December 24, 2088.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2685, H.D. 1, as amended herein,



and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2685, H.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Ocean, Marine
Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs,


KANIELA ING, Chair



