

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2281

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 13 2018

RE: S.B. No. 2226
S.D. 1

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred S.B. No. 2226 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PRESCHOOL EDUCATOR TRAINING REQUIREMENTS,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to, beginning January 1, 2020, require specialized training in early childhood education for all teachers and educational assistants within the Executive Office on Early Learning public pre-kindergarten program.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Executive Office on Early Learning, Hawaii State Teachers Association, and two individuals.

Your Committee finds that the State's Executive Office on Early Learning public prekindergarten program serves children by providing them with high-quality early learning. However, there are insufficient teachers in the public prekindergarten program with the specialized training necessary to best provide the required high-quality early learning to the State's children. This measure ensures that all teachers and educational assistants in the public prekindergarten program have specialized early childhood training to address the children's physical, cognitive,



linguistic, social, and emotional development, and to prepare the children for school.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Inserting an effective date of July 1, 2022, to allow the Executive Office on Early Learning additional time to work with institutions of higher education to ensure access to coursework necessary for educators to meet these requirements; 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 S.B. No. 2226, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 2226, S.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Ways and Means.

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



MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
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Bill / Resolution No.:* <i>SB2226</i>	Committee Referral: <i>EDU, WAM</i>	Date: <i>2-7-18</i>		
<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 type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312 <input checked="" 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)	✓			
KAHELE, Kaiali'i (VC)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.				✓
ESPERO, Will	✓			
KIM, Donna Mercado	✓			
TOTAL	<i>4</i>			<i>1</i>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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*Only one measure per Record of Votes