

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 23 2015

RE: H.B. No. 821

H.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. 821, H.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to:

- (1) Amend or repeal various provisions of chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, as related to early childhood education, that fall under the purview of the Executive Office on Early Learning or are covered by another section of the Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
- (2) Amend various provisions of chapter 302L, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for housekeeping purposes.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education, Early Learning Advisory Board, Hawaii State Teachers Association, Hui for Excellence in Education, Good Beginnings Alliance, PHOCUSED, Chamber of Commerce Hawaii, Democratic Party of Hawaii, and three individuals.

Your Committee finds that amendments to the Hawaii Revised Statutes are necessary to reassign statutory responsibilities regarding early childhood education, currently held by the Department of Education, to the Executive Office on Early Learning. This measure enables the Executive Office on Early Learning to fulfill those responsibilities by authorizing the



office to expend federal funds, and making necessary clarifying amendments.

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. 821, H.D. 1, and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

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

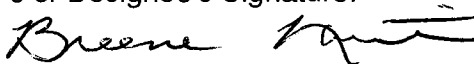


MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair



The Senate
Twenty-Eighth Legislature
State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Education
EDU

Bill / Resolution No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
HB 821, HD1	EDU, WAM	3/16/15		
<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	✓			
TOTAL	8			1
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
Distribution:				
Original File with Committee Report	Yellow Clerk's Office	Pink Drafting Agency	Goldenrod Committee File Copy	

*Only one measure per Record of Votes