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RE:

H.B. No. 546

H.D. 2 S.D. 2 C.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, House of Representatives Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirty-First State Legislature Regular Session of 2021 State of Hawaii

Sirs:

Your Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House of Representatives to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 546, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

having met, and after full and free discussion, has agreed to recommend and does recommend to the respective Houses the final passage of this bill in an amended form.

The purpose of this measure is to:

- Require complex area superintendents to report directly to the Superintendent of Education; and
- Make appropriations to implement a reorganization of the (2) Department of Education that is informed by a 2015 reorganization chart prepared by the Department, which redistributes positions and dissolves:
 - (A) The Office of Strategy, Innovation, and Performance; and

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(B) The Office of information Technology Services.

Your Committee on Conference finds that currently, the complex area superintendents report to the Deputy Superintendent of Education. There is a concern that the Superintendent of Education does not consistently communicate with or receive all feedback from the complex area superintendents. This measure will streamline communication between the complex superintendents and the Superintendent of Education.

Your Committee on Conference has amended this measure by:

- (1) Removing language appropriating funds for the Department of Education to implement the reorganization plan prepared by the Department;
- (2) Inserting language that requires the Department of Education's Office of Information Technology Services to submit a report to the Legislature providing an explanation of how the Office of Information Technology Services will be restructured in the next biennium;
- (3) Inserting language that the Department of Education's Office of Strategy, Innovation, and Performance to submit a report to the Legislature providing an explanation of how the Office of Strategy, Innovation, and Performance will be restructured in the next biennium;
- (4) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity and consistency; and
- (5) Changing the effective date to upon its approval.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the managers of your Committee on Conference that is attached to this report, your Committee on Conference is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 546, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Final Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 546, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the managers:

ON THE PART OF THE SENATE

ON THE PART OF THE HOUSE

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Record of Votes of a Conference Committee

Bill / Concurrent Resolution No.: HB 546, HD 2, SD 2					Date/Time: 4/22/2021 5:00 P.M.				
The recommendation of the House	and S	Senate	mana	gers i	s to pass with amendments (CD).				
☐ The Committee is reconsidering its	previ	ious de	cisio	n.					
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