

Honolulu, Hawaii

Feb 5, 2008

RE: H.B. No. 2971

Honorable Calvin K.Y. Say  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.B. No. 2971 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this bill is to expand online learning opportunities for students across the state by requiring the Department of Education (DOE) to implement the recommendations of the Online Learning Task Force (Task Force).

DOE testified in support of this bill. The Hawaii State Teachers Association supported the intent of this measure.

Your Committee notes that an appropriation is necessary to implement the Task Force's recommendations, but will defer the decision on inserting an appropriation to the Committee on Finance, as the budget will determine whether or not funds are available.

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. 2971 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.



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



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ROY TAKUMI, Chair



State of Hawaii  
House of Representatives  
The Twenty-fourth Legislature

HSCP 149-08

**Record of Votes of the Committee on Education**

<b>Bill/Resolution No.:</b> HB 2971	<b>Committee Referral:</b> EDN, FIN	<b>Date:</b> 2-1-2008		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
<b>The recommendation is to:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
EDN Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. TAKUMI, Roy M. (C)	✓			
2. BERG, Lyla B., Ph.D. (VC)				✓
3. BERTRAM, Joe, III				✓
4. CABANILLA, Rida T.R.	✓			
5. CHANG, Jerry L.	✓			
6. NISHIMOTO, Scott Y.	✓			
7. SAIKI, Scott K.				✓
8. SHIMABUKURO, Maile S. L.	✓			
9. TAKAI, K. Mark	✓			
10. TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.	✓			
11. WAKAI, Glenn	✓			
12. CHING, Corinne W.L.				✓
13. FINNEGAN, Lynn	✓			
<b>TOTAL (13)</b>	<b>9</b>			<b>4</b>
<b>The recommendation is:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
<b>Vice Chair's or designee's signature:</b> _____ 				
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