

Date of Hearing: January 28, 2008

Committee: House International Affairs

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Patricia Hamamoto, Superintendent

Title: H.B. No. 2321, Relating to the Office of International Relations

Purpose: Establishes a peace mission committee within the Office of International Affairs to plan and implement peace missions to other nations and organizations.

Department's Position: The Department of Education (Department) supports the Bill to include the development of an international affairs and peace education curriculum but urges that any curriculum be developmentally appropriate and standards-based.

The Department defers to the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, the identified expending agency, as to funding priority.