



HB2971 Relating to Hawaii Higher Education Committee
Committee on Ways and Means
Senator Rosalyn Baker, Chair
Senator Shan Tsutsui, Vice Chair

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The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) supports HB 2971, HD1, SD1. The recommendations of the task force are commendable especially that which increases accessibility to families and the expansion of online training programs to qualify teachers. As we fully embrace this era of technology and global community, online instruction and communication brings our island state closer together as a learning community. An advanced and fully equipped infrastructure will further reach into rural communities and touch and improve the lives of minority ethnic groups as well as those groups of individuals needing workforce skill building and enhancement such as the incarcerated.

Again, OHA supports HB 2971 and we urge you to pass this measure.
Mahalo nui loa.