

Date: 02/11/2008

Committee: Senate Education; Senate Energy and Environment

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Patricia Hamamoto, Superintendent of Education

Title of Bill: SB 2774 RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Purpose of Bill: Establishes a task force within the department of education to conduct an analysis into the creation of a comprehensive school recycling program; makes appropriation.

Department's Position: The Department does not support SB 2774. The Department of Education recognizes the importance of recycling, however, we are not able to support this bill at this time due to our priority of the Board of Education's budget request to the Legislature. We are currently looking at ways to promote recycling on school campuses as well as develop programs to deal with the recycling of cardboard, paper, and green waste.