

SB145

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Committee: Senate Education and Housing

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Patricia Hamamoto, Superintendent of Education

Title of Bill: SB 0145 RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Purpose of Bill: Clarifies the transfer of responsibility for repair and maintenance of equipment and fixtures in school facilities from the department of accounting and general services to the department of education.

Department's Position: The Department strongly supports this bill.

The responsibility for construction and the repair and maintenance of facilities was transferred from the Department of Accounting and General Services to the Department of Education effective July 1, 2005 pursuant to the requirements of Act 51, Session Laws of Hawaii 2004. This bill amends two sections, Section 302A-1501 and Section 302A-1503, Hawaii Revised Statutes, which should have been amended by Act 51 but were overlooked. These sections transfer the responsibility regarding air conditioning and repair and maintenance of donated equipment and fixtures from the Department of Accounting and General Services to the Department of Education.

The Department recommends passage of this bill.