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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ENSURE THAT SCHOOL
RESTROOMS ARE SUPERVISED, CLEANED, AND RESTOCKED
PERIODICALLY THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL DAY.

1 WHEREAS, according to surveys conducted by Opinion Research
2 Corporation for Kimberly-Clark Professional, twenty per cent of
3 middle school and high school students admit to their parents
4 that they avoid using school restrooms due to dirty or unsafe
5 conditions; and

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7 WHEREAS, students cite odors, unsanitary conditions, and
8 lack of supplies as reasons they avoid using school restrooms
9 throughout the school day; and

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11 WHEREAS, regardless of the reasons for avoiding the
12 restrooms, forty-three per cent of the students surveyed in one
13 poll believe that students who avoid using the restrooms cannot
14 concentrate on school work, and forty-two per cent agreed that
15 students get sick as a result; and

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17 WHEREAS, according to Opinion Research Corporation survey
18 data, one-third of school restrooms were deficient in
19 cleanliness due to lack of maintenance or lack of sanitary
20 products; and

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22 WHEREAS, in order for students to reach their full
23 potential in education, they must first have their physiological
24 needs met to maintain a healthy human body; and

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26 WHEREAS, clean restrooms will result in fewer complaints
27 and can increase the lifetime of the restroom facilities,
28 therefore reducing repair and maintenance costs; now, therefore,
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30 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth
31 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, the
32 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of



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1 Education is urged to ensure that school restrooms are
2 supervised, cleaned, and restocked periodically throughout the
3 school day; and
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
6 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to Governor, the Chair of
7 the Board of Education, the Superintendent of Education, and all
8 secondary school principals and counselors.
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