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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO IMPLEMENT A STATEWIDE  
PLAN TO ELIMINATE THE WASTE OF MILK DISTRIBUTED WITH SCHOOL  
LUNCHES.

1           WHEREAS, 42 United States Code 1758 requires that schools  
2 participating in the National School Lunch Program offer  
3 students fluid milk in a variety of fat contents with their  
4 school lunches; and

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6           WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program currently allows  
7 substitutions and waivers of the fluid milk requirement under  
8 certain circumstances, such as students with disabilities,  
9 medical needs, or special dietary needs; and

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11           WHEREAS, few students in Hawaii public schools are awarded  
12 substitutions and waivers for milk and, according to the  
13 Department of Education, conditions such as lactose intolerance  
14 do not qualify students for waivers; and

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16           WHEREAS, some of the milk that is distributed with school  
17 lunches in Hawaii's public schools is not consumed and is thrown  
18 away instead, wasting valuable state funds and opportunities for  
19 students to consume nutritious beverages with their lunches;  
20 now, therefore,

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22           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth  
23 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, the  
24 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of  
25 Education is urged to develop and implement a statewide plan  
26 using existing resources to eliminate the waste of milk that is  
27 distributed with school lunches by the 2010-2011 school year;  
28 and

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30           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education is  
31 requested to provide a report to the Legislature detailing the  
32 current amount of milk distributed that is wasted, the statewide



1 plan to eliminate the waste of milk, and an estimate of the  
2 resulting cost savings no later than sixty days prior to the  
3 first day of instruction of the 2010-2011 school year; and  
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
6 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Superintendent of  
7 Education, Chairperson of the Board of Education, and the  
8 Director of Health.  
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