
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE HAWAII VIRTUAL LEARNING NETWORK TO OFFER MORE
ADVANCED PLACEMENT CLASSES OR PROVIDE PRIORITY TO STUDENTS
FROM SMALL OR RURAL HIGH SCHOOLS TO ENROLL IN THE NETWORK'S
ADVANCED PLACEMENT CLASSES.

1 WHEREAS, the advanced placement program provides accredited
2 college level courses and examinations to high school students
3 in most high schools across the nation, including Hawaii; and
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5 WHEREAS, advanced placement classes better prepare high
6 school students for college by developing skills to master in
7 depth college level material while still in high school; and
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9 WHEREAS, due to budget constraints not all Hawaii high
10 schools offer advanced placement classes; and
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12 WHEREAS, many rural high schools with smaller student
13 populations are at a distinct disadvantage by not having the
14 critical population numbers to justify offering advanced
15 placement classes; and
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17 WHEREAS, through the Hawaii Virtual Learning Network, the
18 State has recently begun providing various high school courses
19 including advanced placement classes to high school students
20 using on-line "distance learning" technology; and
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22 WHEREAS, for the 2009 academic year, the network offered
23 fourteen advanced placement classes, all of which were filled to
24 capacity; and
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26 WHEREAS, rural high school students at schools too small to
27 offer advanced placement classes must compete with students from
28 schools across the State that offer advanced placement classes,
29 for a limited number of Network advanced placement class
30 openings; and



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WHEREAS, this inequity places students from rural high schools at a distinct disadvantage; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, the Senate concurring, that the Hawaii Virtual Learning Network is urged to offer more advanced placement classes or provide priority to students from small or rural high schools to enroll in the Network's advanced placement classes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Office of the Hawaii Virtual Learning Network, the Governor, the Superintendent of Education, the President of the University of Hawaii, and the Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Myron B. Thompson Academy.

OFFERED BY:

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