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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH AT LEAST
ONE SERVICE LEARNING COORDINATOR IN EACH PUBLIC SCHOOL.

1 WHEREAS, the National Service-Learning Clearinghouse
2 defines service learning as "a teaching and learning strategy
3 that integrates meaningful community service with instruction
4 and reflection to enrich the learning experience, teach civic
5 responsibility, and strengthen communities"; and

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7 WHEREAS, service learning is an effective method of
8 developing civic responsibility, service ethic, and leadership
9 and social skills while enhancing classroom learning; and

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11 WHEREAS, Hawaii's schools currently engage in service
12 learning projects, supported by a comprehensive student support
13 system established by Board of Education Policy No. 2203, with
14 one of its main functions being the involvement of families and
15 community stakeholders as partners in the education process; and

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17 WHEREAS, service learning efforts should be encouraged and
18 further developed, and designating at least one person at each
19 public school as a service learning coordinator would encourage
20 and further develop service learning; 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 encouraged to designate at least one service
26 learning coordinator at each public school; and

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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the designated service learning
29 coordinator at each public school:

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31 (1) Coordinate service learning projects for students at
32 that school;



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- 1 (2) Integrate service learning projects with the
- 2 curriculum so that service learning projects enhance
- 3 classroom learning;
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- 5 (3) Pursue potential service learning opportunities for
- 6 students at that school; and
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- 8 (4) Promote civic engagement and greater collaborative
- 9 interaction between students and the community; and
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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
12 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Superintendent of
13 Education, the Chairperson of the Board of Education, and the
14 President of the Board of Directors of the Hawaii State PTSA.
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