

**Date:** 03/25/2010

**Committee:** House Finance

**Department:** Education

**Person Testifying:** Kathryn Matayoshi, Interim Superintendent of Education

**Title of Bill:** SB 2117,SD1(hscr770-10) RELATING TO EDUCATION

**Purpose of Bill:** Repeals the school-level minor repair and maintenance account. Requires the DOE to annually report to the director of finance and the legislature the total amount of funds in the school-level minor repair and maintenance special fund that will carry over to the following fiscal year. (SD1)

**Department's Position:** The Department supports the SD1 of this bill to repeal the school-level minor repair and maintenance account and reporting requirements. Section 302A-1504, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires the department of education to establish a school-level minor repair and maintenance account and requires the department of education to make annual reports to the director of finance on the total amount of funds in the account that shall carry over to the next fiscal year. Section 302A-1504 is no longer necessary because the first account initially established by this section was transferred to the weighted student formula, pursuant to Act 51 (2004). The second account was created for a special fund established by section 302A-1504.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, which receives funds from the income check-off on state income tax refunds pursuant to section 235-102.5(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes. The remaining account is no longer necessary.