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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE HAWAII BOARD OF EDUCATION TO REVIEW POLICY NO.  
6701 IN LIGHT OF THE STATE'S EFFORT TO RENOVATE AND BUILD  
TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY SCHOOLS AND TO REPORT ITS  
RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE LEGISLATURE.

1 WHEREAS, children in Hawaii deserve to be educated in  
2 environments and facilities that are conducive to learning and  
3 meet twenty-first century standards; and  
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5 WHEREAS, school districts throughout the State suffer from  
6 aging schools, maintenance backlogs, and budget shortfalls; and  
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8 WHEREAS, on average, schools in Hawaii are sixty-five years  
9 old and more than forty schools exceed one hundred years in age;  
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12 WHEREAS, student achievement is limited by the current  
13 condition of school facilities; and  
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15 WHEREAS, the State is exploring a project to renovate and  
16 build new schools to meet twenty-first century standards to  
17 address its aging school facilities; and  
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19 WHEREAS, twenty-first century schools would incorporate new  
20 strategies for school design to accommodate a wide range of  
21 learning styles, promote community interaction with the school,  
22 and allow the use of advanced technology and energy efficient  
23 systems; and  
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25 WHEREAS, section 302A-1602, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and  
26 Board of Education policy no. 6701, relating to acreage  
27 guidelines for elementary, middle, and high schools may limit  
28 the State's plan to renovate and build new schools that meet  
29 twenty-first century standards; now, therefore,  
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31 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
32 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
33 Session of 2013, that the Board of Education is requested to



1 review policy no. 6701 and section 302A-1602, Hawaii Revised  
2 Statutes, in light of the State's effort to renovate and build  
3 twenty-first century schools; and

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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education is  
6 requested to report to the Legislature no later than twenty days  
7 prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2014 its  
8 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, regarding  
9 whether the acreage guidelines of section 302A-1602, Hawaii  
10 Revised Statutes, and policy no. 6701 should be changed to  
11 accommodate the twenty-first century schools concept; and

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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
14 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and Chairperson of the  
15 Board of Education.

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OFFERED BY: Lindelchizame

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