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Committee: House Health

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Kathryn S. Matayoshi, Superintendent of Education

Title of Bill: HB 1440,HD1 RELATING TO DRIVER EDUCATION

Purpose of Bill: Requires driver education programs to include the distribution of information on organ and tissue donation. Effective July 1, 2020. (HB1440 HD1)

Department's Position:

The Department of Education opposes HB 1440 HD 1 requiring driver education programs to include the distribution of information on organ and tissue donation. Parents and guardians of students enrolled in the program may not welcome the topic of organ and tissue donation as it may conflict with their religious or familial beliefs. The decision to share information regarding this topic should be left to the parents and guardians of the student.