

SCR72/SR39

DOE Feasibility Study; Hawaiian Paradise
Park
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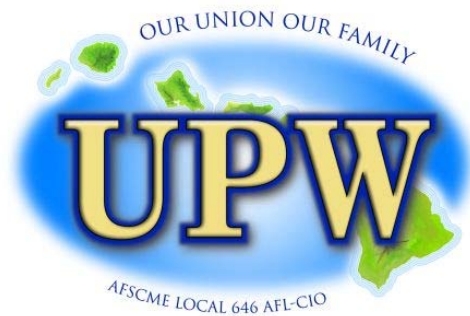
Title of Resolution: SCR 072/SR039 REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO CONDUCT A NEEDS-BASED ASSESSMENT AND A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A NEW SCHOOL IN HAWAIIAN PARADISE PARK.

Purpose of Resolution: DOE Elementary School Feasibility Study; Hawaiian Paradise Park

Department's Position:

The Department of Education (DOE) appreciates the intent of this resolution to study the need for a new school in the Hawaiian Paradise Park. However, the DOE believes it is unnecessary since it currently monitors population growth and enrollment in all of its schools on a regular basis. This effort is based on information provided by a variety of sources to provide estimates of population growth from which enrollment projections are developed.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this resolution.



THE HAWAII STATE SENATE
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COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

The Honorable Sen. Jill Tokuda, Chair
The Honorable Sen. Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair

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PLACE OF HEARING: Conference Room 414

**TESTIMONY ON SR39/SCR72 REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO
CONDUCT A NEEDS-BASED ASSESSMENT AND A FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR A NEW
SCHOOL IN HAWAIIAN PARADISE PARK.**

By DAYTON M. NAKANELUA,
State Director of the United Public Workers,
AFSCME Local 646, AFL-CIO ("UPW")

My name is Dayton M. Nakanelua and I am the State Director of the United Public Workers, AFSCME, Local 646, AFL-CIO (UPW). The UPW is the exclusive representative for approximately 14,000 public employees, which include blue collar, non-supervisory employees in Bargaining Unit 1 and institutional, health and correctional employees in Bargaining Unit 10, in the State of Hawaii and various counties. The UPW also represents about 1,500 members of the private sector.

The UPW supports SR39/SCR72. This resolution would address the needs of a growing community and be in line with the State's commitment to provide quality public education for all of our keiki.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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Janeel Hew	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Greetings, May it go on record that I support SCR72/SR39. Our children's education is of the utmost importance. Retention skills and cognitive skills suffer in over crowded class rooms. Teachers must spend more time controlling the class oppose to teaching. With recent studies showing that fewer graduating students will be seeking careers in fields other than teaching, we must ask ourselves if the now over crowded school systems, frustrated teachers and staff, cut backs, and lack of one on one assistance, may be a contributor to this fact. Implementing a needs-base assessment and feasibility study for a new school in Hawaiian Paradise Park, will be a useful and positive step in proclaiming a solid foundation of education for our children. Please take into consideration; the already strained elementary schools serving this area, the ever increasing population, the jobs that a new school will create, the fact that an educated individual has a higher success rate in society, and a community thriving with strong academic and youth activities produces more well rounded and confident teens and young adults, thereby reducing criminal activities. We need to have this study in order to achieve our highest goal for our children's future while enhancing the community. Thank you in advance for your time and consideration in passing SCR72/SR39 Janeel Hew

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Barb Cuttance	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Please support this resolution. Puna is one of the fastest growing areas in Hawaii. There are many young families moving to the part of the Big Island. It is timely now to look into building a new school in Hawaii Paradise Park.

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