



GOV. MSG. NO. 242

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
GOVERNOR

February 24, 2014

The Honorable Donna Mercado Kim
President of the Senate
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
State Capitol
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kim:

Transmitted herewith are proposed changes to the FY 15 Supplemental Budget for the Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS), the Department of Education (DOE), and the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR).

Your favorable consideration is requested for the attached budget items:

DAGS – Office of Information Management and Technology (OIMT)

Adds 0.93 permanent position (0.68 in general funds; 0.25 in special funds) and deletes 0.93 permanent position and \$205,900 in trust funds. The original supplemental budget request is no longer required because OIMT will be redesigning the position in its reorganization.

DOE – Special Education in Regular Schools

Adds \$3,664,694 in general funds to address additional requirements for special education services in response to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit decision in *E.R.K. v. State of Hawaii Department of Education* that Section 302A-1134(c), HRS, violated the federal Individuals with Disabilities Education Act by denying public education to special-needs students aged 20 to 21. DOE estimates that there is potentially 157 special education students enrolled that may be impacted.

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DLNR – Water and Land Development

Adds \$220,000 in interdepartmental transfer funds for the Soil and Water Conservation Districts to provide conservational support to the 16 districts of the Hawaii Association of Conservation Districts.

Your staff may contact the appropriate agency for additional information. Your understanding and assistance is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Neil Abercrombie".

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawaii

Attachment

c: Honorable David Y. Ige

OPERATINGDepartment of Accounting and General Services – Office of Information Management and Technology (AGS 130/EG)

Adds 0.93 permanent position (0.68 in general funds; 0.25 in special funds) and deletes 0.93 permanent position and \$205,900 in trust funds.

	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>
Personal Services	(0.68) A
	(0.25) B
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Department of Education – Special Education in Regular Schools (EDN 150/FA)

Adds \$3,664,694 to address additional requirements for special education services in response to the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit decision in E.R.K. v. State of Hawaii Department of Education.

	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>
Other Current Expenses	\$3,664,694 A

Department of Land and Natural Resources – Water and Land Development (LNR 141/GA)

Adds funds for the Soil and Water Conservation Districts to provide conservational support to the 16 districts of the Hawaii Association of Conservation Districts.

	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>FY 2015</u>
Other Current Expenses	\$220,000 U