
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF
CHILDREN OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ATTENDING PUBLIC SCHOOL
IN HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, international students come to the United States
2 to study in a number of different institutions, including
3 university, high school, private high school and elementary
4 school, seminary, conservatory, and for language training
5 programs; and

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7 WHEREAS, international students studying in the United
8 States apply for and receive an F-1 nonimmigrant visa for
9 temporary stays; and

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11 WHEREAS, an international student's dependents, including a
12 spouse and minor children, are permitted to accompany the
13 international student on an F-2 nonimmigrant visa; and

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15 WHEREAS, according to federal law, minor children on an F-2
16 visa accompanying international students are permitted to attend
17 public school in the United States while accompanying their
18 student parent; and

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20 WHEREAS, international students are not required to pay for
21 the schooling their minor children receive from the public
22 school system; and

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24 WHEREAS, Hawaii's position as the crossroads of the Pacific
25 means that it is a traditionally-popular destination for
26 international students; and

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28 WHEREAS, while the State benefits from the presence of
29 international students and their families culturally, socially,
30 and economically, it is important that the State understand the
31 full impact of their presence; now, therefore,

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33 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
34 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular



1 Session of 2014, that the Department of Education is requested
2 to study the impact of children of international students
3 attending public school in Hawaii; and
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education
6 include in its study descriptive statistics regarding the number
7 of children of international students attending public school in
8 the State and the number of such children attending private
9 school in the State and the unsubsidized per capita cost of
10 attending a public elementary school and a public secondary
11 school in the State; and
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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education
14 submit a report of its findings, including the study, to the
15 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
16 the regular session of 2015; and
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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
19 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of
20 Education; Superintendent of Education; and Director of
21 Business, Economic Development, and Tourism.
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