
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A STUDY ON THE FEASIBILITY OF DIVIDING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION INTO TWO OR MORE LOCAL EDUCATIONAL AGENCIES AND THE EFFECTS OF SUCH A DIVISION ON THE STATE'S PUBLIC EDUCATION SYSTEM.

1 WHEREAS, 34 Code of Federal Regulations Section 300.41
2 defines the term "state educational agency" as "the State board
3 of education or other agency or officer primarily responsible
4 for the State supervision of public elementary schools and
5 secondary schools..."; and

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7 WHEREAS, the Department of Education of the State of Hawaii
8 is identified by the Council of Chief State School Officers as
9 the state educational agency; and

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11 WHEREAS, 34 Code of Federal Regulations Section 300.28
12 defines the term "local educational agency" as "a public board
13 of education or other public authority legally constituted
14 within a State for either administrative control or direction
15 of, or to perform a service function for, public elementary or
16 secondary schools in a city, county, township, school district,
17 or other political subdivision of a State, or for a combination
18 of school districts or counties as are recognized in a State as
19 an administrative agency for its public elementary schools or
20 secondary schools"; and

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22 WHEREAS, the Department of Education of the State of Hawaii
23 is also a local educational agency; and

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25 WHEREAS, one of the benefits of having multiple local
26 educational agencies is that they are eligible to apply for
27 federal grants and might be able to draw additional resources to
28 public schools in Hawaii; now, therefore,

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30 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
31 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
32 Session of 2014, that the Legislative Reference Bureau is
33 requested to study the feasibility of dividing the Department of



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1 Education into two or more local educational agencies and the
2 effects of such a division on the State's public education
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4 for education; and

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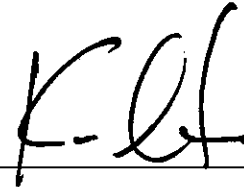
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Reference Bureau is requested to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature at least 20 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2015; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be transmitted to the Acting Director of the Legislative Reference Bureau.

OFFERED BY: _____



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