# SB2425 Relating to Hawaii 3R's EDU, WAM

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## Committee: Senate Education

Department:	Education		
Person Testifying:	Kathryn S. Matayoshi, Superintendent of Education		
Title of Bill:	SB 2425 RELATING TO HAWAII 3R'S.		
Purpose of Bill:	Renames the Hawaii 3R's school repair and maintenance fund the Hawaii 3R's school improvement fund. Requires the transfer of moneys collected pursuant to section 235-102.5(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, and any other moneys received in the form of grants and donations for school-level improvements and minor repairs and maintenance to the Hawaii 3R's school improvement fund.		

### **Department's Position:**

The Department of Education supports this bill. The Department of Education is a part of the Hawaii 3R's Board and reviews all project requests to insure that they are in accordance with our facilities' standards and specifications.

KATHRYN S. MATAYOSHI SUPERINTENDENT TESTIMONY FOR THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION S.B. 2425, RELATING TO HAWAII 3RS MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2014 1:15 P.M., CONFERENCE ROOM 414 By Ka'iulani de Silva Director of Education and Consumer Affairs Hawaiian Electric Company

Chair Tokuda, Vice Chair Kidani and Members of the Senate Committee on Education:

My name is Ka'iulani de Silva and I am the Director of Education and Consumer Affairs for Hawaiian Electric Company ("Hawaiian Electric"). Hawaiian Electric supports the intent of Senate Bill 2425.

For more than a decade, Hawaii 3 R's, a Hawaii nonprofit organization, has provided the valuable service of bringing much needed improvements to the public schools by providing private financing and human resources together to address the existing repair and maintenance backlog in those institutions. Hawaiian Electric has been an active supporter, providing volunteers and resources to partner with Hawaii 3R's in the repair and maintenance of schools on O'ahu.

We support the proposal to change the name of the fund to the Hawaii 3R's school improvement fund and proposal to transfer moneys to this fund as expressed in S.B. 2425.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

# <u>SB2425</u>

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Norman Sakamoto	Individual	Support	No

Comments: Support for SB2425 I am testifying is full support of SB2425. Hawaii Three R's has been very effective in utilizing volunteers and community support to repair our schools. This measure will improve the effectiveness of this worthy organization. Please support this bill. Mahalo, Norman Sakamoto

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