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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE  
TO CREATE A PLAN TO ADDRESS OVERCROWDING IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
IN KAPOLEI, EWA, AND WAIPAHU.

1 WHEREAS, Kapolei, Ewa, and Waipahu are some of the fastest-  
2 growing communities on Oahu and in the state as a whole; and  
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4 WHEREAS, large numbers of young families with school-aged  
5 children are moving to Kapolei, Ewa, and Waipahu because of the  
6 relatively more-affordable housing in these areas; and  
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8 WHEREAS, student enrollment is projected to increase at  
9 public schools in Kapolei, Ewa, and Waipahu; and  
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11 WHEREAS, when overcrowding at public schools occurs, it  
12 adversely affects both teaching conditions for teachers and  
13 learning conditions for students; and  
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15 WHEREAS, because of overcrowding, there are reports of  
16 public school teachers who must teach classes that are  
17 startlingly large in size; and  
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19 WHEREAS, the Legislature appropriated \$10,000,000 as a lump  
20 sum to the Department of Education to address overcrowding in  
21 public schools; now, therefore,  
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23 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
24 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
25 Session of 2016, the Senate concurring, that the Department of  
26 Education is requested to establish a task force to address  
27 overcrowding in public schools in Kapolei, Ewa, and Waipahu; and  
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29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following individuals are  
30 requested to serve as members of the task force:



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- 1           (1) A member of the House of Representatives, to be  
2           appointed by the Speaker of the House;
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- 4           (2) A member of the Senate, to be appointed by the  
5           President of the Senate;
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- 7           (3) The Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural  
8           Resources, or the Chairperson's designee;
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- 10          (4) The Acting Director of the Office of Planning, or the  
11          Acting Director's designee; and
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- 13          (5) The Superintendent of Education, or the  
14          Superintendent's designee; and
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16           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to  
17 submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including  
18 any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than  
19 December 20, 2016; and

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21           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education is  
22 requested to prepare the report and provide any necessary staff  
23 to assist the task force in its work; and

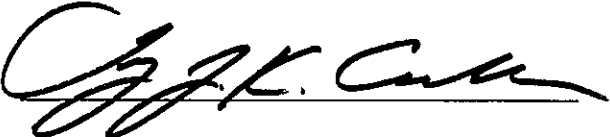
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25           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force should cease to  
26 exist on June 30, 2017; and

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28           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
29 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Superintendent of  
30 Education, Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural  
31 Resources, and Acting Director of the Office of Planning.

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OFFERED BY: 

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