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Date: 03/12/2018
Time: 02:45 PM
Location: 229
Committee: Senate Education

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Dr. Christina M. Kishimoto, Superintendent of Education

Title of Bill: HB 1882, HD1 RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Purpose of Bill: Appropriates funds for laptop computers or tablets to be used by teachers and students for digital teaching and learning. (HB1882 HD1)

Department's Position:

The Department of Education supports the intent of HB 1882, HD1 and concurs with the importance of preparing our students for success in a globally competitive world through the use of digital teaching and learning.

The Department would like the committee to consider a funding model that would appropriate funds on an ongoing basis through the schools' annual budget, as long as it is not at the expense of the priorities the Department has submitted as part of its supplemental budget request. Ongoing funding will provide a sustainable method for schools to acquire and refresh digital devices on a cyclical basis so that teachers and students have access to devices that are current and supportable from a hardware and software perspective. This approach would also align with the Department's five-year technology plan, which is being presented to the Board of Education on March 13, 2018.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.

The Hawaii State Department of Education seeks to advance the goals of the Strategic Plan which is focused on student success, staff success, and successful systems of support. This is achieved through targeted work around three impact strategies: school design, student voice, and teacher collaboration. Detailed information is available at www.hawaiipublicschools.org.

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FOR: HB 1882 HD1 Relating to Education
DATE: March 12, 2018
TIME: 2:45 P.M.
COMMITTEE: Senate Committee on Education
ROOM: Room 229
FROM: Sione Thompson, Executive Director
State Public Charter School Commission

Chair Kidani, Vice Chair Kahele, and members of the Committee:

The State Public Charter School Commission (“Commission”) appreciates the opportunity to submit this testimony in **SUPPORT of HB 1882 HD1**, which appropriates funds to the Department of Education to ensure that students have fair access to technology in all public schools.

The Commission appreciates that this measure is intended to benefit students in all public schools. The Commission humbly requests the committee clarify this measure to ensure that the funds appropriated to the department allow for the provision of laptops and tablets to all public school students, including public charter school students. The Commission looks forward to collaborating with this committee, the DOE, and public charter schools in moving this legislation forward.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.

March 11, 2018

The Honorable Michelle Kidani, Chair
Senate Education Committee
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 228
Honolulu, HI 96813

SUBJECT: HB 1882 (Woodson) – Public Schools Access to Technology - Support

To Senator Kidani,

On behalf of the Computing Technology Industry Association (CompTIA) - the nation's leading advocacy voice for the technology industry - I am writing in support of HB 1882 which would appropriate funds to integrate technology into public schools.

CompTIA is a non-profit trade association serving as the leading voice of the information technology industry – the driving force behind productivity growth and job creation, representing premier technology companies of all sizes. With approximately 2,000 member companies, 3,000 academic and training partners and more than two million IT certifications issued, CompTIA is dedicated to advancing industry growth through educational programs, market research, networking events, professional certifications and public policy advocacy.

HB 1882 is an important measure to prepare students for a globally competitive workforce. In 2013-2014 the Hawaii Legislature funded a pilot program that integrated laptop computers into eight schools. A study of the pilot program by the University of Hawaii at West Oahu found that teachers, students, and parents believed that classroom technology significantly enhanced the quality of public education in Hawaii.

Hawaii lags the nation in providing a 21st Century education that prepares students for work in a world dominated by technology and new media communication. Hawaii's future economy is largely predicated on the ability of its students to gain the necessary skills to compete in this increasingly innovative and technology-driven world. Today's education laws in Hawaii are geared toward a 20th Century economy and create significant barriers for schools looking to provide a more innovative education for their students. Hawaii must adapt quickly and break down barriers to fostering a 21st Century education.

For these reasons, CompTIA is pleased to support HB 1882. Should you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 505-9053 or KHitt@comptia.org

Sincerely,



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CompTIA (Computing Technology Industry Association)

Cc: Seante Education Committee, Members

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for OCC Legislative Priorities Committee, Democratic Party of Hawai'i	Support	No

Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kaulana Dameg	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly support this bill.