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March 30, 2018

To: Senator Donovan Dela Cruz, Chair
And members of the Committee on Ways and Means

TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1882 HD 1 SD 1 RELATING TO EDUCATION

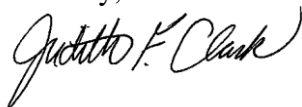
Hawaii Youth Services Network (HYSN), a statewide coalition of youth-serving organizations, supports HB 1882 HD 1 SD 1 Relating to Education.

High quality after-school programs are effective in reducing the risk of a variety of undesirable behaviors among adolescents, including unplanned pregnancy, sexually transmitted infections, juvenile crime, and substance abuse. They can increase school achievement, reduce dropout rates, and provide service learning opportunities that teach young people the value of contributing back to their communities.

Hawaii has the highest percentage of households in the United States in which all adults are employed. These working families need after school programs to ensure that children are safe and engaged in productive activities.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,



Judith F. Clark, MPH
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April 1, 2018

**Written Testimony of TechNet
Presented for the Record to
Senate Ways and Means Committee
April 4, 2018**

Chair Person Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Keith-Agaran and Members of the Senate Ways and Means Committee:

RE: HB 1882, Relating to Education

On behalf of TechNet and our member companies, I write in **support** of **HB 1882**, which appropriates funds for laptop or tablet computers to be used by teachers and students for digital teaching and learning to ensure that students in public schools have fair access to technology.

I am please to have this opportunity to testify in support of HB 1882.

TechNet is the bipartisan policy and political network of CEOs and senior executives that promotes the innovation economy. Our membership includes dynamic start-ups to the most iconic companies on the planet. With global economic leadership at stake, education and workforce development are more critical than ever. TechNet supports policies that help prepare our students to be a successful part of a global, interconnected, and technology-driven economy. One of our top priorities is to ensure digital learning resources and technology integration in student learning environments are adopted which improve student outcomes and enable college and career readiness.

HB1882 will help provide needed resources to ensure that Hawaii students can fulfill their potential and succeed in every avenue of life. Technology is an integral and essential component of 21st century learning. It has been demonstrated to engage students and promote academic success.

Our companies have long collaborated with educators, policymakers and other stakeholders to promote the adoption of digital learning resources and technology integration because we believe it can fundamentally transform education, improve student outcomes and enable college and career readiness. It is for that reason that we believe HB 1882 is an important and critical investment for the State of Hawaii to make, especially when taking into account that the last dedicated funding for this effort was 5 years ago.

House Bill 1882 ensures that Hawaii's school children are not missing out on the promise of digital learning content and tools. For these reasons, TechNet respectfully requests your support on the measure. I can be reached at lbennett@technet.org should you have any questions regarding our support of this measure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laura Bennett".

Executive Director

April 2, 2018

Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair
Senate Ways and Means Committee
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 208
Honolulu, HI 96813

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

To Senator Dela Cruz,

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.

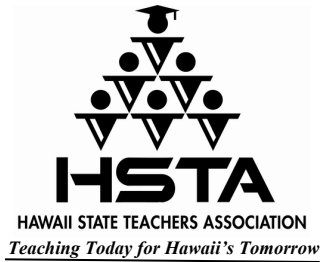
For these reasons, CompTIA is pleased to support HB 1882. Should you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 505-9053 or KHitt@comptia.org

Sincerely,



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CompTIA (Computing Technology Industry Association)

Cc: Seante Ways and Means Committee, Members



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TESTIMONY BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON
WAYS AND MEANS

RE: HB 1882, HD 1, SD 1 - RELATING TO EDUCATION

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2018

COREY ROSENLEE, PRESIDENT
HAWAII STATE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Chair Dela Cruz and Members of the Committee:

The Hawaii State Teachers Association **supports HB 1882, HD 1, SD 1**, relating to education.

Our schools are standing at the frontier of a new world. With each passing year, technology becomes smarter, sleeker, faster, and more relevant to our economy and daily lives.

We must empower teachers and students to harness the tools of the Information Age. As MIT's Office of Digital Learning states, "Digital learning technologies can enable students to grasp concepts more quickly and fully, to connect theory and application more adeptly, and to engage in learning more readily, while also improving instructional techniques, leveraging instructor time, and facilitating the widespread sharing of knowledge."

Digital learning tools, including laptops and tablets, also foster the delivery of rapid assessments and feedback, employment of advanced visualization and simulation software to augment the learning environment, improved management of instructional time through the development and automation of supplementary learning modules, and engagement with a worldwide learning community. It is vital for students to master these concepts to become productive citizens in today's modern, globalized marketplace of ideas.

To provide all of Hawai'i's children with a 21st Century education, the Hawaii State Teachers Association asks your committee to **support** this bill.

HB-1882-SD-1

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Testimony for WAM on 4/4/2018 10:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for Oahu County Committee on Legislative Priorities of the Democratic Party of Hawai'i	Support	No

Comments: