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Location: 211
Committee: Senate Ways and Means

Department: Education

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

Title of Bill: HB 1882, HD1, SD1 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. Appropriates funds for after-school programs at Kalaniana'ole Elementary and Intermediate School, Kapaa Middle School, Konawaena Middle School, and Waimea Canyon Middle School. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)

Department's Position:

The Department of Education supports the intent of HB 1882, HD1, SD1 and concurs with the importance of preparing our students for success in a globally competitive world through the use of digital teaching and learning.

For Part I of the measure, regarding laptop computers and tablets, 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. The Department suggests piloting a refresh cycle and a computer leasing model with one complex area at an annual cost of \$3,000,000. Upon completion and assessment of the pilot, a department-wide refresh cycle and computer leasing model would be developed.

For Part II of the measure, regarding after-school programs, the Department would also like the committee to consider a funding model that would appropriate funds on an ongoing basis through the schools' annual budget, separate from Department priorities and any supplemental budget requests for after-school programming. Based on conservative data assumptions regarding current after-school programs, an annual cost of \$1,660,814 is needed (\$598,000 for programming, \$1,062,814 for transportation) to support the 4 schools noted in the 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.