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**Location:** 229

**Committee:** Senate Education  
Senate Public Safety, Intergovernmental and  
Military Affairs

**Department:** Education

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

**Title of Bill:** HB 2196, HD1 RELATING TO DISASTER PREPAREDNESS.

**Purpose of Bill:** Establishes a pilot program to retrofit various Department of Education buildings to withstand a category 3 hurricane. Requires the Department of Education to work in collaboration with the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency. Appropriates funds. (HB2196 HD1)

**Department's Position:**

The Hawaii State Department of Education (HIDOE) supports HB2196 HD1 provided that no additional costs are incurred upon its passage. The bill directs HIDOE to identify facilities to retrofit in coordination with the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, to utilize the structural assessments for hurricane classification of existing HIDOE facilities, and provides funding for those retrofit improvements.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on HB2196 HD1.

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](http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org).

**HB-2196-HD-1**

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Rachel L. Kailianu	Individual	Support	Yes

Comments:

In STRONG SUPPORT.