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House Public Safety

Department: Education

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

Title of Bill: HB 2196 RELATING TO DISASTER PREPAREDNESS.

Purpose of Bill:

Department's Position:

The Department of Education (DOE) supports the intent but has concerns on HB 2196, as written, as it would create significant implementation challenges. The DOE would like to provide suggested changes.

The Department of Accounting and General Services commissioned assessments of numerous DOE facilities within the last five years. Recommendations have been made to retrofit each to withstand varying hurricane classifications. Waipahu High School Gymnasium was assessed in January 2015 and was deemed infeasible to retrofit to meet the Category 3 hurricane, one step lower than the proposed Category 4 hurricane.

We suggest the bill be rewritten to require additional structural assessments made in accordance with the Report of Recommended Statewide Public Hurricane Shelter Criteria, Hurricane Shelter Criteria Committee, State Civil Defense, June 24, 2014; provide funding for these assessments; and to fund retrofit improvements as recommended by the structural assessments.

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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STATE OF HAWAII
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HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL 2196, RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Before the House Committees on
PUBLIC SAFETY
and
VETERANS, MILITARY, AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND CULTURE AND THE ARTS

by

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Aloha Chairs Takayama and Lopresti, Vice-Chairs Gates and Fukumoto, and Members of the Committees.

HB 2196 establishes a pilot program to retrofit various Department of Education (DOE) buildings to withstand a Category 4 hurricane and appropriates funds for that purpose.

The Hawaii Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA) *supports the intent* of HB 2196 and offers the following comments:

- HI-EMA has worked closely with the DOE in the shelter retrofit program.
- Each selected school building is unique and must be assessed by a structural engineer in order determine if retrofit is feasible and to what standard it can be retrofitted.
- Retrofit to a category 4 storm may be impractical or cost prohibitive based on the assessment.
- HI-EMA concurs with the DOE recommendation that HB 2196 be rewritten to require additional structural assessments made in accordance with the Report of Recommended Statewide Public Hurricane Shelter Criteria developed by the Hurricane Shelter Criteria Committee, State Civil Defense, June 24, 2014; provide funding for these assessments; and to fund retrofit improvements as recommended by these structural assessments.
- HI-EMA supports the intent of HB 2196 as long as it does not replace the Governor's priorities as requested in his executive budget.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony in support of the intent of HB 2196.

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Melodie Aduja	OCC Legislative Priorities	Support	No

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Rachel L. Kailianu	Ho`omana Pono, LLC	Support	Yes

Comments: