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Date: 04/06/2018
Time: 11:00 AM
Location: 211
Committee: Senate Ways and Means

Department: Education

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

Title of Bill: HB 2352, HD1, SD1 RELATING TO THE HAWAII TEACHER STANDARDS BOARD.

Purpose of Bill: Increases membership on the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board to include a member of the Native Hawaiian Education Council and a non-voting public university student teacher. Clarifies that a permit is required for non-licensed teachers serving in public schools. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)

Department's Position:

The Department of Education (Department) supports the intent of HB 2352, HD 1 SD 1.

HB 2352, HD 1 SD 1 will increase the membership of the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board (HTSB) to include two additional members, the chairperson from the Native Hawaiian Education Council and a teacher candidate from a Hawaii educator preparation program. The addition of these members will provide different perspectives for the HTSB's consideration when reviewing items relating to educator preparation programs and licensing.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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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Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Date: April 6, 2018

Where: State Capitol Room 211

TESTIMONY

By Ka'ano'i Walk

RE: HB 2352, HD1, SD1, Relating to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board

E ka Luna Ho'omalua Dela Cruz, ka Hope Luna Ho'omalua Keith-Agaran, a me nā Lālā o ke Kōmike o nā Loa'a a me nā Ho'olilo o ka 'Aha Kenekoa, aloha! My name is Ka'ano'i Walk and I serve as the Senior Policy Analyst of the Kūamahi Community Education Division of Kamehameha Schools.

We are writing to **support** HB 2352, HD1, SD1, relating to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board, which increases the membership on the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board to include a member of the Native Hawaiian Education Council and a non-voting public university student teacher. This measure will also clarify that a permit is required for non-licensed teachers serving in public schools.

We believe that the inclusion of a representative from the Native Hawaiian Education Council will help to provide increased Native Hawaiian education knowledge, perspective and acumen to the board. This is an important and highly inclusive step that will help inform discussion at the board level on past, current, and future Native Hawaiian education issues.

Founded in 1887, Kamehameha Schools is an organization striving to advance a thriving Lāhui where all Native Hawaiians are successful, grounded in traditional values, and leading in the local and global communities. We believe that community success is individual success, Hawaiian culture-based education leads to academic success and local leadership drives global leadership.

'A'ohē hana nui ke alu 'ia. No task is too large when we all work together! Mahalo nui.