



STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
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Date: 02/23/2018
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: SB 2239, SD1 RELATING TO COLLEGE PLACEMENT EXAMINATION FEES.

Purpose of Bill: Appropriates funds for the payment of SAT or ACT standardized test examination fees for public school students in the twelfth grade who have not taken the SAT or ACT standardized test examination and public charter school students in the eleventh or twelfth grade who have not taken the SAT or ACT standardized test examination. (SD1)

Department's Position:

The Department of Education (Department) agrees with the intent of the bill and recognizes the role and value for all students to have the opportunity to take a college admissions examination and is committed to providing access to our students.

Currently the Department covers the cost of all eleventh grade students to take a nationally-recognized college admissions test as part of the college and career readiness curriculum.

We respectfully suggest that SB 2239 SD1 is not necessary at this time since the Department is already providing access to college admissions examinations.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments 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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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Melodie Aduja	Testifying for OCC Legislative Priorities Committee, Democratic Party of Hawai'i	Support	No

Comments:

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Javier Mendez-Alvarez	Individual	Support	No

Comments: