

**SB-2879**

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**Committee:** Senate Economic Development,  
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Senate Education

**Department:** Education

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

**Title of Bill:** SB 2879 RELATING TO EDUCATION.

**Purpose of Bill:** Requires the office of enterprise technology services, in collaboration with the department of education, to establish a working group to study the department of education's information technology infrastructure, operations, and services.

**Department's Position:**

The Department supports the objective of ensuring that technology in the State is provided in the most cost effective manner possible. The Department continues to work collaboratively with ETS to that end. However, the Department would like to suggest an approach the Department feels would have a better chance of meeting that objective using existing mechanisms that would require no new legislation at this time. ETS should instead focus on defining services under the oversight of ETS's existing governance committee. While the Department does not presently have representation on the ETS governance committee, that committee is clearly intended to ensure that ETS is serving the needs of all State agencies where appropriate.

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).