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# HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING AN AUDIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

1           WHEREAS, on October 6, 2018, the Department of Education's  
2 financial management system underwent a critical upgrade, which  
3 encountered complications and resulted in disruption of service,  
4 primarily relating to payments to vendors; and  
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6           WHEREAS, as of October 25, 2018, the financial management  
7 system was partially restored, with the Department of Education  
8 implementing a plan to expedite payments in three priority  
9 areas: school facilities, workers compensation claims, and  
10 special education services; and thereafter, phasing in access to  
11 all schools and offices to begin processing purchase orders and  
12 payments; and  
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14           WHEREAS, the Department of Education stated that it had  
15 been working to upgrade its programs, including its financial  
16 management system, which was a complex initiative due in part to  
17 the age of some of the platforms; and  
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19           WHEREAS, the department's financial management system is  
20 reportedly an old system that dates to the 1990s and is used to  
21 process purchase orders and a wide range of payments, such as  
22 school supplies, construction contracts, school-level  
23 consultants, and business travel; now, therefore,  
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25           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
26 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of  
27 2019, the Senate concurring, that the Auditor is requested to  
28 conduct a financial audit of the financial management system of  
29 the Department of Education; and  
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31           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the audit is requested to cover  
32 the following issues:



- 1 (1) The current status of the financial system;
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- 3 (2) Outdated features of the system; and
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- 5 (3) Necessary upgrades to the system; and
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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to  
 8 submit a report of the Auditor's findings and recommendations,  
 9 including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later  
 10 than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session  
 11 of 2020; and

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 13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 14 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor, Chairperson  
 15 of the Board of Education, and Superintendent of Education.

OFFERED BY:

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