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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON
AUGMENTING, INCREASING, AND EXPANDING AFTER SCHOOL
PROGRAMS.

1 WHEREAS, the after school programs of the Department of
2 Education are an important resource for working families and
3 provide a safe, enjoyable, and educational venue for students
4 between the end of the school day and when they can rejoin their
5 family and caregivers; and

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7 WHEREAS, the after school programs of the Department of
8 Education include After-School Plus (A+); Resources for
9 Enrichment, Athletics, Culture, and Health (REACH); and Uniting
10 Peer Learning, Integrating New Knowledge (UPLINK); and

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12 WHEREAS, while A+, REACH, and UPLINK are all worthy
13 programs, more can be done; and

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15 WHEREAS, diverse and effective after school programs can
16 help to achieve a number of important social goals; and

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18 WHEREAS, increased monetary support for after school
19 programs serving underprivileged youth can assist overworked,
20 low-income families who cannot afford babysitters; and

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22 WHEREAS, after school programs help to occupy students
23 during the hours of the day in which they are more likely to
24 engage in criminal activity, experiment with illegal substances
25 and alcohol, or become the victim of crime; and

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27 WHEREAS, a revitalization and expansion of after school
28 programs can help Hawaii to prevent the occurrence of teen
29 suicide and attempted suicide rather than to continue suffering
30 from one of the highest rates in the nation; and

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32 WHEREAS, curriculum can be implemented in after school
33 programs to inspire youth to do and be more; and
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1 WHEREAS, improved after school programs can help expose the
2 youth of Hawaii on the wide variety of career opportunities
3 available to them across the globe; and

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5 WHEREAS, teenagers in particular could be supported with
6 opportunities for learning life skills such as money management,
7 how to build credit, financial literacy, and entrepreneurship
8 basics; and

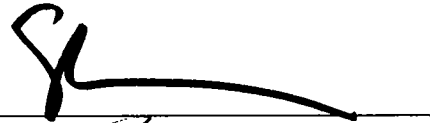
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10 WHEREAS, diverse after school programming can help youth
11 discover what sparks their passion; now, therefore,

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13 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature
14 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, that the
15 Department of Education is urged to conduct a study on how after
16 school programs may be augmented, increased, or expanded, and
17 submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including
18 any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than
19 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of
20 2021; and

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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
23 Resolution be transmitted to Chairperson of the Board of
24 Education and Superintendent of Education.

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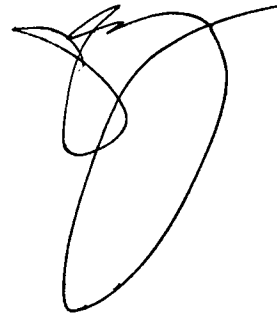
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