THE SENATE THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE, 2022 STATE OF HAWAII

S.C.R. NO. 226

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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO IMPLEMENT A CIVIL RIGHTS CURRICULUM PLAN FOR PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS.

1	WHEREAS, the Civil Rights Movement was pivotal in
2	addressing pervasive social and institutional inequities in the
3	United States; and
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5	WHEREAS, the Civil Rights Movement arose as a response to
6	Jim Crow-era laws, particularly those that established a
7	separate but equal doctrine; and
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9	WHEREAS, nonviolent resistance championed by Dr. Martin
10	Luther King Jr. was central to the Civil Rights Movement; and
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12	WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s contributions to the
13	Civil Rights Movement were informed by principles of natural
14	rights and natural law; and
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16	WHEREAS, it is essential for students in the State to learn
17	about and understand the importance of the Civil Rights
18	Movement; and
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20	WHEREAS, a statewide educational curriculum that includes
21	instruction on the Civil Rights Movement would foster more
22	productive civic engagement; now, therefore,
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24	BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first
25	Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2022, the
26	House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of
27	Education is requested to develop and implement a civil rights
28	curriculum through which students in all public elementary,
29	middle, intermediate, and high schools will be able to take
30	courses offering fact based information on civil rights and the
31	Civil Rights Movement; and
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this 1 2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of Education. 3 4

OFFERED BY: Wile Hatte