

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1612 -22

Honolulu, Hawaii
, 2022

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RE: H.C.R. No. 40
H.D. 1

Honorable Scott K. Saiki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2022
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred H.C.R. No. 40 entitled:

"HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO INCORPORATE MEDIA LITERACY INTO THE EXISTING STATE PUBLIC SCHOOL CURRICULUM,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to urge the Department of Education to incorporate media literacy into the existing state public school curriculum.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Education and three individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to this measure from one individual.

Your Committee finds that the modern digital landscape has influenced access and exposure to various media reporting on current events, thereby shaping the public's perception of reality. Your Committee further finds that the responsible use of technology is an increasingly vital skill in modern times that children should be taught from a young age. Your Committee believes that preparing students to use technology in a responsible manner through the incorporation of media literacy in

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the existing state public school curriculum will encourage them to become well-informed and productive digital citizens.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for the purposes of clarity, consistency, and style.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of H.C.R. No. 40, as amended herein, and recommends that it be referred to your Committee on Finance in the form attached hereto as H.C.R. No. 40, H.D. 1.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Education,


JUSTIN H. WOODSON, Chair



