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**Committee:** Senate Education

**Department:** Education

**Person Testifying:** Keith T. Hayashi, Interim Superintendent of Education

**Title of Resolution:** SCR 0028 REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH PROGRAMS AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES TO INCREASE MEDIA LITERACY AND PROMOTE DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP.

**Department's Position:**

The Hawaii State Department of Education (Department) supports SCR 0028.

The Department recognizes it is imperative for all students to be educated in media literacy and digital citizenship to prepare them with the skills and knowledge to successfully navigate the digital world.

The Department has collaborated with internal and external stakeholders to create a strategic multi-year computer science action plan focused on advancing innovative outcomes and learning experiences for all students. This action plan includes the delivery of high-quality standards-based computer science instruction and learning opportunities for all grade levels. The K-12 computer science standards consists of five (5) core concepts that include media literacy and digital citizenship-related topics (such as internet safety, digital footprint, news and media literacy, and cyberbullying).

In alignment with Act 51, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, and Act 158, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021, each of the Department's fifteen (15) complex area computer science teams are developing respective implementation plans that define learning pathways for students to develop foundational computer science skills at the elementary level and scaffold them into progressively more advanced learning opportunities at the middle and high school levels. In addition to core computer science courses, the Department is collaborating with other curriculum content areas to create "integrated computer

science” learning experiences that incorporate media literacy and digital citizenship concepts.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in support of SCR 0028.

**SCR-28**

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
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Comments:

My name is Michael Press. I am a teacher at Ilima Intermediate in Ewa Beach on Oahu. I support this bill and I urge you to do the same. Thank you.