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**Committee:** Senate Judiciary

**Department:** Education

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

**Title of Bill:** SB 0105 RELATING TO EDUCATION.

**Purpose of Bill:** Changes the Department of Education's quarterly report requirement on autism spectrum disorder to an annual report.

**Department's Position:**

The Hawaii State Department of Education (Department) supports SB 105 which requests changing the mandated reporting requirement for Act 205, Session Laws of Hawaii 2018, from quarterly to annually.

An annual report will better represent data regarding services provided to students across the Department throughout the year. A yearly report provides a more useful representation of significant trends as quarterly reports often do not differ significantly as Applied Behavior Analysis (ABA) services have stabilized within the Department.

The Department stands ready to provide data on ABA services as needed upon request.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of SB 105.