

THE SENATE
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THE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2025

[COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION](#)
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Chair
Senator Donna Mercado Kim, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Monday, February 10, 2025
TIME: 3:02 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 229 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

SB 894, SD1 (SSCR71) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Appropriates funds to the Department of Education to fulfill the local farm-to-school meal goal requiring thirty per cent of the food served in public schools to consist of locally sourced products. (SD1)	EDU, WAM
SB 187 Status & Testimony	RELATING TO A LIBRARY IN EWA BEACH. Requires the Department of Education to transfer the Ewa Beach Public and School Library from the State Public Library System to James Campbell High School.	EDU, WAM
SB 757 Status & Testimony	RELATING TO LIBRARIES. Requires reasonable terms in license agreements for digital literary materials between libraries and publishers. Defines prohibited terms for license agreements between libraries and publishers. Declares offer of a license agreement with a prohibited term an unfair or deceptive act. Makes a license agreement with a prohibited term void and unconscionable. Creates right of action by libraries, library officers and borrowers.	EDU, CPN/JDC

SB 799

Status & Testimony

RELATING TO THE FREEDOM TO READ.

EDU, JDC

Requires the Department of Education to select materials for inclusion, circulation, and exclusion in school library collections according to certain criteria. Requires the Department of Education to uphold the freedom to read. Prohibits the Department of Education from excluding books based on certain criteria. Requires the State Librarian to select materials for inclusion, circulation, and exclusion in school library collections according to certain criteria. Requires the State Librarian to uphold the freedom to read. Prohibits the State Librarian from excluding books based on certain criteria.

SB 249

Status & Testimony

RELATING TO LOCAL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.

EDU, WAM

Modifies certain benchmark goals and timeline for the Department of Education to provide locally-sourced agricultural and food products.

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Michelle N. Kidani
Chair