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**Committee:** House Education

**Department:** Education

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

**Title of Resolution:** HCR 0053 URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO CREATE A PRIORITY LIST FOR REPAIRING PUBLIC SCHOOL FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS.

**Department's Position:**

The Hawaii State Department of Education (Department) supports HCR 53. The Department has a prioritized list of repairs within which fire alarm systems are included. This prioritized list is separated into three categories totaling \$68,576,481.

Repairs are categorized as follows:

- CRITICAL in design; construction dependent upon legislative funding; estimated construction is \$51,489,537.00.
- POOR due diligence assessment; design and construction dependent upon legislative funding; estimated construction is \$9,085,000.00.
- FAIR monitoring; design and construction dependent upon legislative funding; estimated construction is \$8,001,944.00.

The Department strongly supports effective measures that ensure our schools and office facilities are safe and in compliance.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in support of HCR 53.