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HONOLULU

MAY 27, 1999

STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 310

Honorable Members
Twentieth Legislature
State of Hawaii


Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am returning herewith, without my approval, House Bill No. 310, entitled, "A Bill For An Act Relating to Planning and Budgeting for New Schools."

The purpose of House Bill No. 310 is to require the Director of Finance, in consultation with the Superintendent of Education, to include funding for athletics when budgeting for new schools. In addition, this bill requires the Department of Education to study the setting of coaches' salaries.

While this bill specifically provides that budgeting for new schools include athletic costs, this action undermines the authority of the Board of Education in setting the educational goals of the Department of Education by singling out athletics as a curriculum priority. Further, since the State and the Department of Education must accomplish their budgeted objectives within the limitations of available revenues, the enactment of this bill would reduce the options available to them to address changing fiscal conditions.

For the foregoing reasons, I am returning House Bill No. 310 without my approval.

Respectfully,


BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO
Governor of Hawaii

P R O C L A M A T I O N


WHEREAS, under Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, the Governor is required to give notice, by a proclamation, of his plan to return with his objections any bill presented to him less than ten days before adjournment sine die or presented to him after adjournment sine die of the Legislature; and

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 310, entitled, "A Bill for an Act Relating to Planning and Budgeting for New Schools," passed by the Legislature, was presented to the Governor within the aforementioned period; and

WHEREAS, House Bill No. 310 is unacceptable to the Governor of the State of Hawaii;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO, Governor of the State of Hawaii, do hereby issue this proclamation, pursuant to the provisions of Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, giving notice of my plan to return House Bill No. 310 with my objections thereon to the Legislature as provided by said Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution.

DONE at the State Capitol, Honolulu,
State of Hawaii, this 27th
day of May, 1999.


BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO
Governor of Hawaii