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STATEMENT OF OBJECTIONS TO SENATE BILL NO. 46

Honorable Members
Twentieth Legislature
State of Hawaii

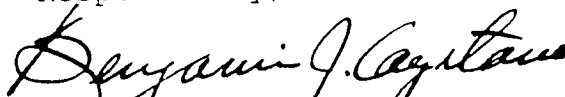
Pursuant to Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, I am returning herewith, without my approval, Senate Bill No. 46, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to School-Based Budgeting."

The purpose of Senate Bill No. 46 is to require the Department of Education to provide the schools and the legislature, by the opening day of each regular legislative session, reports on its proposed school-by-school budget allocation and give each school maximum flexibility in the expenditure of its allocation.

While I support the intent of this bill, the measure is unnecessary and overburdensome and does not carry out the intent of the bill. School-by-school allocations for the over 250 schools statewide are an incredible burden for which the schools and the department do not have the capacity nor resources to accomplish. Furthermore, there is no provision for increasing the flexibility in expenditures. The Department of Education has worked hard to preserve the equitable allocation among all schools while balancing the individual needs of the schools.

For the foregoing reasons, I am returning Senate Bill No. 46 without my approval.

Respectfully,



BENJAMIN J. CAYETANO
Governor of Hawaii

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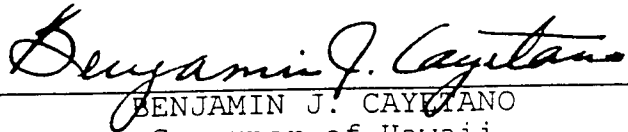
WHEREAS, under Section 16 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, the Governor is required to give notice, by a proclamation, of his plan to return with his objections any bill presented to him less than ten days before adjournment sine die or presented to him after adjournment sine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

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No.46, entitled "A Bill for an Act Relating to School-Based Budgeting," passed by the Legislature, was presented to the Governor within the aforementioned period; and

WHEREAS, Senate Bill No. 46 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 Senate Bill No. 46 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