
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE CARDIOPULMONARY
RESUSCITATION TRAINING TO ALL EDUCATION PROFESSIONALS IN
THE STATE OF HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, heart disease is the leading cause of death in the
2 United States for adults; and
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4 WHEREAS, stroke is the third highest cause of death and the
5 leading cause of disability in the United States for adults; and
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7 WHEREAS, accidents are the leading cause of death for
8 children between the ages of one and eight years of age, and
9 infants between birth and twelve months of age; and
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11 WHEREAS, these deaths occur at any time, without warning,
12 and often in places where qualified medical treatment is not
13 readily accessible; and
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15 WHEREAS, saving a person's life often requires quick
16 thinking and life-saving assistance within minutes of an
17 occurrence; and
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19 WHEREAS, on Oahu, the survival rate of prehospital cardiac
20 arrest patients is only five percent; in King County,
21 Washington, where cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training
22 is mandated in schools, the survival rate is 31 percent; and
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24 WHEREAS, current resources are insufficient to provide
25 adequate medical treatment to all areas of the state; and
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27 WHEREAS, a widespread effort to make more people CPR
28 conscious in our schools is critical to ensuring students are
29 able to safely access their curriculum; and
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31 WHEREAS, teachers certified in CPR will help save lives and
32 reduce death and disability; and



1 WHEREAS, CPR training for teachers should provide a
2 standardized method for teaching both adult and pediatric CPR to
3 teachers on "pump n' blow and the clearing of airway
4 obstruction"; and
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6 WHEREAS, widespread training in CPR has been successfully
7 implemented in schools across the country and will be beneficial
8 to the public throughout the state; now, therefore,
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10 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
11 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
12 Session of 2007, that the Department of Health is requested to
13 provide CPR training to all education professionals in the state
14 of Hawaii; and
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16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
17 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Health and
18 Superintendent of Education.

