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COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION Senator Norman Sakamoto, Chair Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Vice Chair

MEASURES DEFERRED TO FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2007

DATE:

Friday, February 2, 2007

TIME:

1:15 p.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 225

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

DECISION MAKING ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE(S):

(Deferred from Wednesday, January 31, 2007)

SB 14

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

EDU

Establishes the candidate advisory council to screen and propose candidates for appointment to the board of regents of the University of Hawaii. Increases the board of regents membership to fifteen members with a specified number of members representing different geographic areas. Prohibits a board of regents member from serving more than two consecutive five-year terms. Requires the senate to consider the question of an incumbent member's confirmation for a second term at least 120 days prior to the conclusion of the member's first term. Allows a board of regents member to continue to serve until the member's successor has been appointed and confirmed by the senate.

SB 100

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

EDU, WAM

Authorizes the Hawaii teacher standards board to suspend its rules, in cases where extenuating circumstances exist, and to amend licensing-related fees and charges relating to the performance of the board's duties.

SB 1147

RELATING TO TEACHING LICENSURE.

EDU

Establishes a committee to review teaching licensure standards to ensure effective teachers from outside the State receive a Hawaii teaching license.

SB 605

RELATING TO TEACHER LICENSING.

EDU

Authorizes the issuance of a Hawaii teacher's license based on the possession of an active license from California, Colorado, Illinois, Michigan, New York, Oregon, Washington, and from any state whose licensure standards are the same or higher than those of Hawaii.

SB 27	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Allows the Department of Education to hire individuals with professional experience and university degrees as exceptional teachers and to authorize alternative licensing routes based on performance-based standards and giving credit toward licensing for prior teaching experience in public schools outside of Hawaii and at accredited private schools, colleges, or universities.	EDU
SB 650	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Requires the department of education to allow teachers to receive credit for any degree or coursework completed, regardless of the relevance of the degree or coursework to teaching.	EDU
SB 1130	RELATING TO EARLY EDUCATION. Prohibits the moving of junior kindergarten and kindergarten students between tiers; prohibits a junior kindergartener from directly graduating to first grade; ensures that separate curriculum is established for the junior kindergarten program; requires the department of education to staff junior kindergartens with qualified preschool teachers and preschool teacher aides; requires the Hawaii teacher standards board to develop standards for teachers and teacher aides assigned to junior kindergarten classrooms; and appropriates funds for the implementation of a junior kindergarten program that achieves a ten to one student ratio.	EDU, WAM
SB 686	RELATING TO EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANTS. Appropriates moneys to the department of education for an educational assistants' career ladder program.	EDU, WAM
SB 1179	RELATING TO SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN. Appropriates funds to non-school hour programs for youth enrolled in school.	EDU, WAM
SB 766	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Allows certain teacher loans to be forgiven after employment at a neighbor island public school for a specified number of years as determined by the department. Appropriates funds.	EDU, WAM
SB 1152	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Provides for smaller learning communities in public schools. Prohibits the selling of school lands and buildings without consideration of using the land and buildings for small learning communities. Requires the department of education to give priority to establishing early learning facilities over closing or consolidating school facilities	EDU, WAM
SB 1155	MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR EDUCATION. Appropriates funds to address educational needs, specifically teacher shortage.	EDU, WAM

No testimony will be accepted.

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