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Committee: House Education/House Labor
& Public Employment

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Patricia Hamamoto, Superintendent of Education

Title of Bill: HB 0174 RELATING TO SALARY RANGES FOR TEACHERS.

Purpose of Bill: To repeal the statutory provision relating to teacher salary ranges as teacher salary schedules are negotiated pursuant to section 89-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and as provided in section 302A-624, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Act 89, Session Laws of Hawaii 1996, established salary ranges that are no longer applicable as salary ranges are currently negotiated. Section 302A-622, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is repealed.

Department's Position: The Department of Education supports H.B. 0174, which repeals statutory provisions establishing salary ranges for teachers that are no longer applicable. The salary range table is outdated and does not reflect the current bargaining unit negotiated salary ranges. Pursuant to Section 89-9 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes, teacher salary schedules are negotiated.

