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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO IMPLEMENT A STATEWIDE PLAN TO ELIMINATE THE WASTE OF MILK DISTRIBUTED WITH SCHOOL LUNCHES.

WHEREAS, 42 United States Code 1758 requires that schools 1 participating in the National School Lunch Program offer 2 students fluid milk in a variety of fat contents with their 3 school lunches; and 4 5 WHEREAS, the National School Lunch Program currently allows 6 7 substitutions and waivers of the fluid milk requirement under certain circumstances, such as students with disabilities, 8 medical needs, or special dietary needs; and 9 10 WHEREAS, few students in Hawaii public schools are awarded 11 substitutions and waivers for milk and, according to the 12 Department of Education, conditions such as lactose intolerance 13 do not qualify students for waivers; and 14 15 WHEREAS, some of the milk that is distributed with school 16 lunches in Hawaii's public schools is not consumed and is thrown 17 away instead, wasting valuable state funds and opportunities for 18 students to consume nutritious beverages with their lunches; 19 20 now, therefore, 21 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 22 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 23 of 2010, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Education 24 is urged to develop and implement a statewide plan using 25 existing resources to eliminate the waste of milk that is 26 distributed with school lunches by the 2010-2011 school year; 27 28 · and 29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education is 30 requested to provide a report to the Legislature detailing the 31 current amount of milk distributed that is wasted, the statewide 32



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plan to eliminate the waste of milk, and an estimate of the 1 resulting cost savings no later than sixty days prior to the 2 first day of instruction of the 2010-2011 school year; and 3 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 5 1 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Superintendent of 6 Education, Chairperson of the Board of Education, and the 7 Director of Health. 8 9 10 11 OFFERED BY:

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