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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS TO INCORPORATE MORE KINESTHETIC AND OTHER TYPES OF LEARNING INTO SCHOOL CURRICULA.

WHEREAS, in 1983, Dr. Howard Gardner developed a theory of
multiple intelligences, which suggests that each person is
capable of possessing seven or more forms of intelligence in
varying degrees; and

6 WHEREAS, the theory of multiple intelligences has had a 7 significant impact on education by challenging the notion that 8 students are not intelligent if they do not respond well to 9 traditional types of teaching or have low intelligence quotient 10 test scores; and

12 WHEREAS, the theory of multiple intelligences suggests that 13 one particular style of teaching may not be the most effective 14 for all students because students possess different profiles of 15 forms of intelligence; in turn, educators have incorporated 16 other teaching methods to address the different forms of 17 intelligence of their students; and

19 WHEREAS, Hawaii's students recognize that they each have 20 different types of intelligence and learn in unique ways, and 21 have expressed the need for a greater variety of learning 22 styles, especially more hands-on, or kinesthetic, learning; now, 23 therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, the House of Representatives concurring, that public and private schools are encouraged to incorporate more kinesthetic learning opportunities into their curricula to better engage students in their learning; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that public and private schools are encouraged to further diversify their curricula to promote other types of learning, such as visual-spatial, musical, interpersonal, intrapersonal, and naturalistic learning so that students can develop and foster their unique types of intelligence; and

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 9 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Superintendent of 10 Education, the Chairperson of the Board of Education, the 11 President of the Hawaii State PTSA, the Executive Director of 12 the Hawaii Council of Private Schools, and the Chairperson of 13 the University of Hawaii Department of Kinesiology and 14 Rehabilitation Science.

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