THE SENATE TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2011 STATE OF HAWAII S.R. NO. 77

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## SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO CONSIDER USING THE PROPERTY LOCATED ON YOUNG STREET, ADJACENT TO THE ACADEMY ART CENTER, AS AN ART RESOURCE CENTER FOR TEACHERS.

1 WHEREAS, the Honolulu Academy of Arts' Academy Art Center at 2 the former Linekona School has served thousands of students since 3 it opened in 1990, and provides an avenue for schools, students, 4 and teachers to learn and experience art through studio 5 workshops, classes, and exhibits; and

7 WHEREAS, the arts is one of ten core education disciplines
8 for which the Department of Education is required to meet
9 national standards for grades K-12; and

11 WHEREAS, to meet national standards, the Department of 12 Education needs to consider and evaluate its teaching of the 13 arts; and

15 WHEREAS, the Honolulu Academy of Arts is modernizing its 16 eighty year old lending collection to help teachers meet state 17 and national standards; and

19 WHEREAS, the Department of Education has no central facility 20 that offers teachers professional training and development in the 21 arts; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Education has buildings adjacent
to the Art Center that are currently used by the Office of School
Facilities and Support Services; and

27 WHEREAS, school facilities are being downsized elsewhere; 28 and



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WHEREAS, moving the Office of School Facilities and Support 1 Services to another location and taking advantage of the 2 3 expertise at the Honolulu Academy of Arts and the Academy Art Center would permit the Department of Education to create a 4 5 training and learning center in the buildings adjacent to the Art 6 Center; now, therefore, 7 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-sixth Legislature 8 9 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2011, that the 10 Department of Education is requested to consider using the property located on Young Street, adjacent to the Honolulu 11 12 Academy of Arts' Academy Art Center, as an art resource center 13 for teachers; and 14 15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department is requested to establish a working group to explore the feasibility of 16 relocating the Office of School Facilities and Support Services 17 and repurposing this space as an art resource center for 18 19 teachers; and 20 21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group be comprised 22 of the following: 23 (1)The Superintendent of Education, or the 24 superintendent's representative, who is requested to 25 26 chair the working group; 27 (2) 28 A representative from the Honolulu Academy of Arts; 29 (3) Elected state officials from the area around the 30 Academy Art Center and who are interested in the arts 31 32 and arts education, or their representatives; 33 34 (4) A representative of the Hawaii State Teachers Association; and 35 36 (5)37 Other members from the immediate community whose input the superintendent deems advisable to obtain; and 38 39 40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Superintendent of Education, the 41



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Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Honolulu Academy of
 Arts, the President of the Hawaii State Senate, the Speaker of
 the Hawaii State House of Representatives, and the Executive
 Director of the Hawaii State Teachers Association.

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