SB789 Relating to Extracurricular Activities EDU, WAM



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Committee: Senate Education

Department:	Education
Person Testifying:	Kathryn S. Matayoshi, Superintendent of Education
Title of Bill:	SB 0789 RELATING TO EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
Purpose of Bill:	Allows home schooled students to participate on an equal basis in extracurricular activities offered at the public school they would otherwise be required to attend.

Department's Position:

At this time, the Department of Education chooses not to comment on SB 789 until the Board of Education (Board) is given an opportunity to review this Bill. Hawaii Administrative Rules Title 8, Chapter 12, requires parents of homeschooled children to be responsible for their child's total educational program including athletics and other co-curricular activities. Bills relating to public education with policy implications are scheduled to be reviewed by the Board at its upcoming General Business Meeting. Positions taken will be subsequently shared with the appropriate legislative committees.