

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO UTILIZE ONLY VALIDATED AND RELIABLE RESEARCH AND EVALUATION TOOLS WHEN REVIEWING TEACHER PERFORMANCE.

1 2 3 4	WHEREAS, teachers chose their profession because they care about the community and want to make a positive impact on children's education; and
4 5 6 7 8 9	WHEREAS, in Hawaii's public education system, it is essential that students are provided with the best learning environments to afford them with all possible opportunities and pathways to success; and
10 11 12 13	WHEREAS, resources to support teachers in helping students improve their learning and maximizing their potential should be the priority of the Department of Education; and
14 15 16 17	WHEREAS, educators agree that a fair, effective evaluation system can be an important tool in improving student performance and the practice of teaching; and
17 18 19 20 21 22	WHEREAS, the Department of Education is implementing an Educator Evaluation System with the objectives of measuring educators' professional practice and providing feedback and support to teachers; and
23 24 25 26	WHEREAS, a partnership between the Board of Education, Department of Education, and the Hawaii State Teachers Association should determine the best evaluation tools available to review teacher performance; and
27 28 29 30 31	WHEREAS, to best improve the practice of teaching and positively affect student learning, any agreed upon evaluation tools utilized as part of the Educator Evaluation System must be valid and reliable; now, therefore,



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BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2014, the Senate concurring, that the Board of Education and the Department of Education are requested to utilize only validated and reliable research and evaluation tools when reviewing teacher performance; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
10 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the
11 Board of Education and the Superintendent of Education.

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