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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

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



1 Session of 2014, that the Board of Education and the Department  
2 of Education are requested to utilize only validated and  
3 reliable research and evaluation tools when reviewing teacher  
4 performance; and

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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
7 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of  
8 Education and the Superintendent of Education.

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11 OFFERED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

  
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