HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES **TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE, 2017** STATE OF HAWAII

H.C.R. NO. 178

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO PERFORM A FISCAL AND MANAGEMENT AUDIT OF THE OFFICE OF SCHOOL FACILITIES AND SUPPORT SERVICES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

1	WHEREAS, the Office of School Facilities and Support
2	Services of the Department of Education is responsible for the
3	planning, design, and construction of all new facilities;
4	planning, design, and construction of the renovation of all
5	existing facilities; and maintenance of school grounds and all
6	existing facilities; and
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8 WHEREAS, a lack of communication among the administration of a school, the Department of Education's project manager and 9 10 designer, and the Department of Education's design consultant during the plan-and-design phase of a project, the construction 11 12 of a new facility, or the renovation of an existing facility has historically resulted in: 13

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- A plan-and-design phase that exceeds two years before (1)the project is open for bid, which places the funds for construction in jeopardy of lapsing;
- 19 (2) Numerous change orders during construction; and
- A final construction cost that significantly exceeds (3) the initial estimated project cost for which the 22 Legislature appropriated funds; and 23

25 WHEREAS, a lack of and inconsistency in site visitation by the project manager, designer, and project inspector during the 26 construction process has resulted in miscommunication as to what 27 the school desired and what was designed, thereby resulting in a 28 delay in construction as well as the same errors being 29 30 encountered in future projects with the same scope of work; and



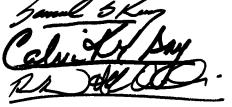
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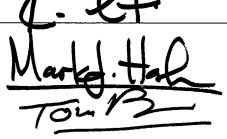
WHEREAS, there are no existing as-built drawings on file at 1 2 the schools, the district offices of the Department of 3 Education, or the central office of the Department of Education 4 that show the location of all structures on campus or the 5 location of all above- and below-ground utilities; and 6 7 WHEREAS, there is no matrix for any of the facilities on a 8 school campus to indicate when the facility was built and when 9 and what type of maintenance or renovation work was performed on the facility; and 10 11 12 WHEREAS, a review of recent bids submitted indicates that: 13 14 (1)An estimate of approximately \$950,000 was submitted 15 for the construction of a 24-foot x 40-foot portable classroom, with no amenities other than a fire alarm 16 system and no legitimate explanation as to why a 17 modular portable classroom, which could cost about 18 one-half the construction cost submitted in the bid, 19 could not be used instead; and 20 21 An estimate of approximately \$1,200,000 was submitted 22 (2) for the construction of a 96-stall, asphalt-concrete 23 parking lot, 24 25 the costs of which appear to be greater than what was desired; 26 27 and 28 29 WHEREAS, inspections of school campuses have shown that existing one-story buildings that are built next to tall shower 30 or monkey pod trees often have their gutters clogged with fallen 31 leaves and branches, or trees are growing on the roof of the 32 33 building or in the gutter; and 34 35 WHEREAS, these numerous issues could be addressed by a comprehensive review by a third party; now, therefore, 36 37 38 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 39 of 2017, the Senate concurring, that the Auditor is requested to 40 41 perform a fiscal and management audit of the Office of School



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3 4 5 6	BE I' focus on:	T FURTHER RESOLVED that the fiscal and management audit
7 8 9 10 11 12 13	(1)	Whether a lack of communication, lack of field inspection prior to planning and design, lack of as- built drawings, and lack of a matrix of existing facilities has resulted in a prolonged planning and design phase, numerous change orders, and increased construction costs;
14 15 16 17	(2)	Whether the lack of a matrix of existing facilities and lack of timely, proper inspection of existing facilities have resulted in premature repair costs; and
18 19 20 21 22 23	(3)	Whether the State's procurement law may be artificially increasing the cost of construction or impeding projects from being completed in a timely manner; and
23 24 25 26 27 28	submit a proposed	T FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to report of findings and recommendations, including any legislation, to the Legislature no later than 20 days the convening of the Regular Session of 2018; and
29 30 31 32 33 34	Concurren Chairpers Education	T FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this t Resolution be transmitted to the Governor; on of the Board of Education; Superintendent of ; and Assistant Superintendent, Office of School s and Support Services of the Department of Education.
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