
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO REVIEW AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS IN HAWAII'S PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND TO ESTABLISH AN AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM ADVISORY COUNCIL.

1 WHEREAS, according to the Afterschool Alliance fifteen
2 million children across the United States are alone and
3 unsupervised after school; and
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5 WHEREAS, according to the Afterschool Alliance for every
6 Hawaii student in an afterschool program, one more would
7 participate if space in a program were available, and in Hawaii
8 54,184 students are enrolled in afterschool programs, 59,057 are
9 waiting for an available program, and 36,474 are alone and
10 unsupervised after school; and
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12 WHEREAS, approximately 4,645 children in Hawaii are
13 homeless and can benefit from a safe and structured out-of-
14 school environment; and
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16 WHEREAS, approximately seventy-four percent of all children
17 in Hawaii are raised by working families; and
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19 WHEREAS, afterschool programs are effective because they
20 enrich students' experiences outside of school, while also
21 improving their attendance, grades, and behavior in school and
22 at the same time allow working parents to continue working
23 during afterschool hours; and
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25 WHEREAS, quality afterschool programs generate significant
26 returns on investment for society as a whole; and
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28 WHEREAS, afterschool programs help young people build
29 skills they need to succeed in the workplace, help them get
30 ready for college and a career, and spark passion and fuel
31 imagination; and
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33 WHEREAS, at a time when middle- and low-income families and
34 communities are struggling financially and students are falling



1 behind academically, afterschool programs are needed now more
2 than ever; and
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4 WHEREAS, House Resolution No. 137, S.D. 2, Regular Session
5 of 2016, requested the Department of Education to convene a
6 working group with various stakeholders to review afterschool
7 programs in Hawaii's public middle and intermediate schools and
8 report its findings and recommendations to the 2017 Legislature;
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11 WHEREAS, the working group did meet four times in the
12 latter half of 2016, under the facilitation of the Department of
13 Education's Community Engagement Office, and averaged twenty to
14 thirty attendees at each meeting due to the high interest of the
15 stakeholders; and
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17 WHEREAS, the working group produced its final report to the
18 legislature in December 2016 and recommended that the working
19 group continue to meet for an additional three years to further
20 its work; now, therefore,
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22 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
23 Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
24 of 2018, that the Department of Education is requested to
25 convene a working group to review afterschool programs in
26 Hawaii's public schools; and
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education is
29 requested to convene the working group no later than July 1,
30 2018; and
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32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group's review of
33 afterschool programs include:
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- 35 (1) A timeline and inventory of existing afterschool
36 programs in public schools;
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38 (2) Data regarding current levels of costs, funding
39 sources, and student participation of existing
40 afterschool programs in public schools;
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- 1 (3) Recommendations on improving the availability,
2 quality, and coordination of afterschool programs in
3 public schools;
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- 5 (4) Recommendations on how collaboration can be promoted
6 between agencies and stakeholders providing
7 afterschool programs in Hawaii;
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- 9 (5) The development of efficient and collaborative ways to
10 address funding, logistics, and outcomes of providing
11 structured afterschool programs at middle and
12 intermediate schools;
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- 14 (6) Recommendations on ways to create and implement a
15 common data management system that links participation
16 in afterschool programs to attendance, behaviors, and
17 course marks and that develops common definitions of
18 attendance enrollment and participation, common
19 reporting templates, and aligned timelines;
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- 21 (7) Recommendations on how to align funding schedules and
22 timelines for afterschool programs with school
23 schedules to improve procurement, implementation, and
24 follow-up processes regarding financial resources;
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- 26 (8) Recommendations on how to implement Hawaii Afterschool
27 Quality Guidelines in all afterschool programs and
28 align current programs with stated working group
29 assumptions;
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- 31 (9) Recommendations on ways to leverage program funds to
32 coordinate professional development and training for
33 afterschool program providers, and for regular
34 consistent opportunities for site coordinators and
35 staff, that will be instituted by the Hawaii
36 Department of Education in partnership with community
37 stakeholders;
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- 39 (10) Drafting and passing Board of Education policy for
40 afterschool program, and student transportation;
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(11) Assessing the progress of the first three years of a statewide initiative overall in improving quality, coordination, availability, funding, and outcomes; and

(12) Further exploring the potential of extramural athletics for middle and intermediate schools; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent of Education, or the Superintendent's designee, is requested to serve as the chairperson of the working group and to invite the following individuals, or their designees, to be members of the working group:

(1) One representative from the Office of the Lieutenant Governor;

(2) Director of Human Services;

(3) Director of Health;

(4) One elementary school principal;

(5) One middle or intermediate school principal;

(6) One high school principal;

(7) Executive Director of Hawaii P-20 Partnerships for Education;

(8) One representative from the Honolulu Police Department;

(9) One representative of afterschool program providers for elementary schools;

(10) One representative of afterschool program providers for middle or intermediate schools;

(11) One representative of the Hawaii Afterschool Alliance;

(12) One representative of the Chamber of Commerce Hawaii;



(13) Director of the Hui for Excellence in Education;

(14) One representative of Liliuokalani Trust;

(15) One representative of Kamehameha Schools; and

(16) One representative of the Hawaii State Teachers Association; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education establish an Afterschool Program Advisory Council within the Department's Community Engagement Office that will support the work of the afterschool working group's findings and recommendations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education, on behalf of the working group, is requested to submit the working group's findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to this body no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Lieutenant Governor, Chairperson of the Board of Education, Superintendent of Education, Director of Human Services, Director of Health, Executive Director of Hawaii P-20 Partnerships for Education, Chief of Police of the Honolulu Police Department, Chief Executive Officer of Kamehameha Schools, Director of the Hawaii Afterschool Alliance, President of the Chamber of Commerce Hawaii, Director of the Hui for Excellence in Education, President of Liliuokalani Trust, and President of the Hawaii State Teacher Association.

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