

STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Committee: Senate Education

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Dr. Christina M. Kishimoto, Superintendent of Education

Title of Bill: SB 2239 RELATING TO COLLEGE PLACEMENT EXAMINATION

FEES.

Purpose of Bill: Appropriates funds for the payment of SAT or ACT standardized test

examination fees for those public high school students who are in the eleventh or twelfth grade and are eligible for the free and reduced price

lunch program.

Department's Position:

The Department of Education (Department) agrees with the intent of the bill and recognizes the role and value for all students to have the opportunity to take a college admissions examination and is committed to providing access to our students.

Currently the Department covers the cost of all eleventh grade students to take a nationally-recognized college admissions test as part of the college and career readiness curriculum.

We respectfully suggest that SB 2239 is not necessary at this time since the Department is already providing access to college admissions examinations.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on this measure.

The Hawaii State Department of Education seeks to advance the goals of the Strategic Plan which is focused on student success, staff success, and successful systems of support. This is achieved through targeted work around three impact strategies: school design, student voice, and teacher collaboration. Detailed information is available at www.hawaiipublicschools.org.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Javier Mendez-Alvarez		Support	No

Comments:

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Comments:

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Richard Mizusawa		Support	No

Comments: