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S.B. 2307, S.D. 1 RELATING TO STATE PROCUREMENT OF WIFI AND INTERNET SERVICES.

Senate Committee(s) on Ways and Means & Judiciary

The Department of Transportation **supports** all state and state funded facilities have internet computer and wireless access filters to block access to pornography sites.

The DOT's internet providers use filtering technology on websites regarded "Not Suitable for Work (NSFW)" which includes pornography.

However, personal internet devices can access NSFW websites through their own internet provider by customizing their personal web security settings.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



STATE OF HAWAI'I DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Committee: Senate Judiciary Senate Ways and Means

Department: Education

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

Title of Bill: SB 2307, SD1 RELATING TO STATE PROCUREMENT OF WIFI AND

INTERNET SERVICES.

Purpose of Bill: Requires that all state and state funded facilities have internet computer

and wireless access filters to restrict access to pornography sites.

Exempts state-owned housing and dormitories. (SD1)

Department's Position:

The Department of Education (Department) supports and respectfully offers comments on SB 2307, SD1, which requires content filtering of pornography sites in all state and state-funded facilities, as well as ensuring that contract language contains provisions for such content filtering.

As mentioned in the measure, the Department's public schools already have content filtering in place to block pornography and other content that may be harmful to minors, as required by federal regulations. Content filtering also applies to other offices within the Department that utilize the Department's network/internet resources. Protection of our students, staff, and technology resources are of utmost importance.

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

The Hawai'i State Department of Education is committed to delivering on our promises to students, providing an equitable, excellent, and innovative learning environment in every school to engage and elevate our communities. 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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By Stacey A. Aldrich State Librarian

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The Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) appreciates the opportunity to comment on S.B.2307 S.D.1, which would require that all state and state-funded facilities have internet computer and wireless access filters to block access to pornography sites.

HSPLS receives and uses federal funding to provide connectivity to the internet and is required by the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) to have an internet policy and technology protection measure. In terms of policies, we have two: 1) Board of Education Policy 600-5: Hawaii State Public Library System Internet Acceptable Use Policy; and 2) Hawaii State Public Library System Internet Use Guidelines. These two documents establish appropriate use of internet access by the public and staff in our public libraries. HSPLS uses ContentKeeper to provide the appropriate filtering required by CIPA, which includes block or filter access to pictures that are: (a) obscene; (b) child pornography; or (c) harmful to minors (for computers that are accessed by minors).

We are also required to be able to turn the filter off for patrons over 18 upon request. Occasionally, a filter will block a website that should not be filtered. For example, if someone was doing research on former House Majority Leader Dick Armey, sites may be blocked because of his first name. Sometimes, we are asked to unblock a specific website for a patron. In those cases, if the website violates our Internet Policy, we will ask the patron to stop viewing and/or leave. If a library patron finds a way around our

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filters and/or violates our Internet Policy, we ask the patron to stop accessing the website and/or to leave the library.

We respectfully request that this bill include language that would require agencies to have an internet policy and when exceptions can be made to turn the filter off for access to appropriate sites, and a technology protection measure such as filters.

This language will ensure that all state offices and public facilities have the ability to meet the requirements of this bill and that state employees, who are legitimately trying to do their jobs, will have access to the information they need to do their work.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure and your continued support of the Hawaii State Public Library System.