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Department: Education

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

Title of Resolution: SCR 0198 URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO INCLUDE CIVIC ONLINE REASONING AND MEDIA LITERACY IN ITS INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY CURRICULUM.

Department's Position:

The Department of Education (Department) supports SCR 198.

The Department recognizes it is imperative for all students to be educated in civic online reasoning and media literacy, which are included in the Department's computer science-digital citizenship education program. Digital citizenship includes these concepts as well as digital footprints, internet safety, news and media literacy, and cyberbullying.

The Department is dedicated to providing all students with opportunities to learn about computer science and to obtain the skills and experiences needed to succeed in our modern digital world.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony on SCR 198.

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.