
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PROVIDE STUDENTS,
PARENTS, PRINCIPALS, TEACHERS, STAFF, AND THE GENERAL
PUBLIC WITH THE DEPARTMENT'S BULLYING PROCEDURES.

1 WHEREAS, students' safety, social-emotional health, and
2 well-being continues to be a top priority for the Department of
3 Education; and

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5 WHEREAS, the Department of Education is committed to
6 fostering culturally responsive, supportive, and inclusive
7 learning environments, which includes ongoing bullying
8 prevention efforts; and

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10 WHEREAS, the Department of Education is guided by explicit
11 discipline and bullying policies outlined in the Civil Rights
12 Policy and Title VIII, chapters 19 and 89, Hawaii Administrative
13 Rules; and

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15 WHEREAS, these rules and procedures cover various aspects,
16 including definitions, reporting incidents, investigations,
17 disciplinary actions, appeals process, and parent notifications
18 regarding incidents of bullying, harassment, discrimination, and
19 retaliation; and

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21 WHEREAS, directly informing students, parents, and school
22 staff about the Department of Education's bullying procedures
23 and making these procedures available in forms visible to
24 students, including through the posting of the information in a
25 prominent place on school grounds and at school functions, will
26 help further prevent bullying in public schools in the State;
27 now, therefore,

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29 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
30 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular



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1 Session of 2024, the Senate concurring, that the Department of
2 Education is requested to provide students, parents, principals,
3 teachers, staff, and the general public with the Department's
4 bullying procedures; and

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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Department of Education
7 principals, teachers, and staff, are requested to disseminate
8 the Department's bullying procedures to students in various
9 forms, including posting the information in a prominent place at
10 school and at school functions; and

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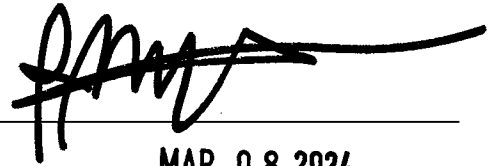
12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
13 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the
14 Board of Education and Superintendent of Education.

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