

THE SENATE  
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THE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION OF 2024

[COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION](#)  
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Chair  
Senator Donna Mercado Kim, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 7, 2024  
TIME: 3:00 PM  
PLACE: Conference Room 229 & Videoconference  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

**[SB 2061](#)**

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RELATING TO THE SCHOOL BUS DRIVER CERTIFICATION  
SUBSIDY PILOT PROGRAM.

EDU, WAM

Establishes a one-year school bus driver certification subsidy pilot program within the Department of Education. Requires a report to the Legislature. Declares that the general fund expenditure ceiling is exceeded. Makes an appropriation.

**[SB 3328](#)**

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Testimony](#)

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

EDU, WAM/JDC

Clarifies the Department of Education's authority to oversee public education facilities and real estate development. Establishes the Office of Facilities and Real Estate Development and the Office of School Operations and Services. Repeals the School Facilities Authority. Reorganizes the Department of Education's organizational structure for facilities and real estate development. Establishes positions. Makes conforming amendments. Declares that the general fund expenditure ceiling is exceeded. Makes an appropriation. Repeals the Office of Facilities and Real Estate Development and Office of School Operations and Services 7/1/2031.

**[SB 2975](#)**

[Status &  
Testimony](#)

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

EDU, WAM

Establishes the qualified internship grant program within the Department of Education to provide grants to businesses and organizations that employ qualified interns participating in work-based learning through a qualified internship program. Appropriates funds.

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Michelle N. Kidani  
Chair