SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
TO UPDATE VACCINATION FORMS AND RECORDKEEPING FOR PUBLIC
SCHOOL AND CHARTER SCHOOL STUDENTS.

1   WHEREAS, existing law requires students enrolled in public
2 and charter schools to be vaccinated against certain diseases;
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5   WHEREAS, the list of mandatory vaccinations are
6 periodically amended to include additional vaccination
7 requirements; and
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9   WHEREAS, in some situations, parents may have permitted
10 their children to obtain a majority of the mandatory vaccines,
11 but refused a certain vaccination, such as HPV; and
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13   WHEREAS, Department of Education enrollment coordinators
14 are required to complete certain forms if a student claims a
15 vaccination exemption; and
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17   WHEREAS, if a student claims an exemption for one type of
18 vaccine, enrollment coordinators designate the student as
19 unvaccinated, regardless of vaccination status for other
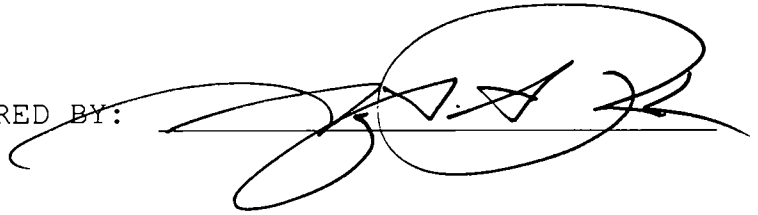20 vaccines; and
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22   WHEREAS, to determine whether herd immunity can be achieved
23 within educational environments during a disease outbreak, a
24 more accurate assessment of, students vaccination statuses is
25 necessary to empower the Department of Education to take a
26 proactive approach to the health and well-being of students;
27 now, therefore,
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29   BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third
30 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025,
31 that the Department of Education and Department of Health are
32 requested to update vaccination forms and recordkeeping for
33 public school and charter school students; and
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1   BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Resolution be transmitted to the Superintendent of Education and
3 Director of Health.
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