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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A PILOT PROGRAM
AT EWA BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL THAT PROVIDES ICE CREAM AS A
DESSERT OPTION FOR STUDENTS WHO HAVE GOOD ATTENDANCE.

1 WHEREAS, school attendance is a key factor in student
2 success, directly impacting academic achievement and long-term
3 educational outcomes; and
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5 WHEREAS, positive reinforcement has been shown to be an
6 effective strategy in encouraging consistent attendance among
7 students; and
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9 WHEREAS, fostering a positive school environment and
10 boosting student morale can contribute to a more engaged and
11 enthusiastic student body; and
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13 WHEREAS, Ewa Beach Elementary School has demonstrated a
14 commitment to student well-being and academic excellence, making
15 it an ideal location for a pilot program aimed at improving
16 attendance through positive incentives; and
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18 WHEREAS, the provision of ice cream as a dessert option for
19 students who achieve good attendance may serve as a motivational
20 tool, encouraging students to attend school regularly and
21 participate actively in their education; now, therefore,
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23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third
24 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025,
25 that the Department of Education is urged to establish a pilot
26 program at Ewa Beach Elementary School that provides ice cream
27 as a dessert option for students who have good attendance, with
28 the goal of increasing morale and encouraging consistent school
29 attendance; and
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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education is
32 requested to monitor the effectiveness of the pilot program and
33 submit a report of its findings, including any recommendations
34 for expansion or modification, to the Legislature no later than



1 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of
2 2027; and
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
5 Resolution be transmitted to the Superintendent of Education,
6 the Chairperson of the Board of Education, and the Principal of
7 Ewa Beach Elementary School.
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OFFERED BY:

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