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November 5, 2025

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President
and Members of the Senate
415 South Beretania Street
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Nadine K. Nakamura, Speaker
and Members of the House of Representatives
415 South Beretania Street
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Re: Hawai'i State Department of Education Annual Report on Administrative Hearing
Procedures and Subpoena Power Relating to the Education of Children with a
Disability

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, a copy of the annual report, Administrative Hearing
Procedures and Subpoena Power Relating to the Education of Children with a Disability is being
transmitted, pursuant to Section 302A-443(e), Hawai'i Revised Statutes (HRS). In accordance with
Section 93-16, HRS, the report may be viewed electronically at:
<https://hawaiipublicschools.org/data-reports/legislative-reports/>

Should you have any questions, please contact Ken Kakesako, Director of the Policy, Innovation,
Planning and Evaluation Branch, Office of Strategy, Innovation and Performance, via email at
ken.kakesako@k12.hi.us or by phone at (808) 282-3430.

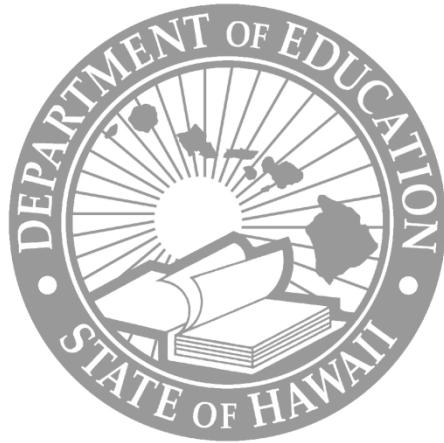
Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Tammi Oyadomari-Chun.

Tammi Oyadomari-Chun
Deputy Superintendent of Strategy and Administration

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State of Hawai‘i
Department of Education

Annual Report on Administrative Hearing Procedures and Subpoena Power Relating to the Education of Children with a Disability

November 2025

Section 302A-443(e), Hawai‘i Revised Statutes, requires the Hawai‘i State Department of Education to annually submit a report that provides the total number of requests for a due process hearing relating to the reimbursement of costs for a child's placement filed by a parent or guardian of a child with a disability.

Administrative Hearing Legislative Report

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 provide parents and schools with dispute resolution procedures to resolve disagreements related to a child's educational services.

A due process complaint requesting a hearing is a formal procedure used to resolve disagreements between parents and schools on any matter relating to the identification, evaluation, or educational placement of a child with a disability or the provision of a free appropriate public education (FAPE) to the child.

Based on a review of due process hearing complaints filed with the Hawai'i State Department of Education during School Year 2024-2025, ten (10) due process hearing requests were filed by a parent (as defined under 34 C.F.R. § 300.152(a)(5) and HAR § 8-60-2) of a child with a disability requesting reimbursement of costs for a child's educational placement.