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THE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION OF 2026

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

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, April 8, 2026
TIME: 1:03 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 229 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
TIMESLOT: EDU

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A G E N D A

SCR 140 / SR 132 Proposed SD1 / Proposed SD1 Status & Testimony / Status & Testimony	URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA TO ADOPT ENERGY SAVINGS PERFORMANCE CONTRACTING PURSUANT TO SECTION 36-41, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, AS A PRIMARY STRATEGY TO ADDRESS DEFERRED MAINTENANCE AND INFRASTRUCTURE MODERNIZATION AND IMPROVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY STATEWIDE. (Proposed SD1)	EDU
SCR 197 / SR 185 Status & Testimony / Status & Testimony	REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL AUDIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT BACKLOG.	EDU
SCR 154 / SR 145 Status & Testimony / Status & Testimony	URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ADD TAX INSTRUCTION TO ITS FINANCIAL LITERACY GRADUATION REQUIREMENT.	EDU
SCR 199 / SR 187 Status & Testimony / Status & Testimony	REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A FRAMEWORK THAT PLACES RESPONSIBILITY AND ACCOUNTABILITY FOR MONITORING ALL CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AND REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS WITHIN EACH COMPLEX AREA WITH THE COMPLEX AREA LEADERSHIP.	EDU

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Donna Mercado Kim
Chair