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Committee: EDN

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Keith T. Hayashi, Superintendent of Education

Title of Bill: SCR201, REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO REISSUE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS FOR THE JOB ORDER CONTRACTING PROGRAM CONTRACTORS AND PREQUALIFIED SMALL CONTRACTORS TO ENSURE THE CONTINUITY OF THE FUTURE SCHOOLS NOW PROGRAM.

Purpose of Bill: Requesting The Department Of Education To Reissue Requests For Proposals For The Job Order Contracting Program Contractors And Prequalified Small Contractors To Ensure The Continuity Of The Future Schools Now Program.

Department's Position:

The Hawaii State Department of Education (Department) supports SCR 201, SD 1, which recognizes the effectiveness of the Job Order Contracting (JOC) program in addressing statewide school facility repair and maintenance needs.

The JOC program has significantly reduced procurement timelines, enabling the timely completion of essential repairs. The Department concurs with the resolution's request to reissue Requests for Proposals for JOC contractors and prequalified small contractors to ensure continuity of services and is actively advancing procurement for replacement contracts.

The Department views this measure as an opportunity to improve the efficiency, transparency, and accessibility of school facility repair processes. In this context, the Department interprets the provision regarding principal access as enhancing school-level visibility into repair requests and streamlining how schools initiate and access services through the JOC program.

While the Department supports these objectives, it emphasizes that expanding access should not be interpreted as transferring project control to individual schools. Core functions, including project scoping, technical specifications, procurement, and compliance, require specialized expertise and must remain under the oversight of qualified facilities and procurement professionals to ensure consistency, legal compliance, and responsible use of public funds. This is consistent with the Department's process for School Funded Projects.

The Department will continue to evaluate opportunities to streamline processes and improve school-level access while maintaining appropriate oversight and safeguards. The Department remains committed to the continued use of job order contracting and prequalified contractor programs as efficient and flexible procurement methods to accelerate the repair, maintenance, and minor construction of school projects.

The Department will also fulfill the reporting requirements outlined in this measure, including providing information on program utilization, outreach efforts, and opportunities to further improve effectiveness and access at the school level.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on this measure.

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Comments:

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