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Comments: I believe that this is an important clarification for those who purchase materials. As a retired teacher, I know in the past there were times when digital materials did not qualify. So if that is the intent of this bill then EO! If the intent is to eliminate, paper resources, then a few things to consider. For many, holding a "real" book, paper in their hands is best for learning. Digital resources take much more electricity. I am wondering to this day how much the electric bills of schools with 1 to 1 and all this digital testing have elevated? DO you know ? Digital or non digital resources should match the learners and not be made mandatory as in the Pearson Wonders fiasco.

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Digital Education Necessary for 21st-Century Learning in Hawaii

“I have a dream, I have a dream” that one day Hawaii will become the center of our World’s education center powered by digital technology, enabled by Hawaii House Bill 2267 and Senate Bill 2606, which would make critical investments to enable our students to achieve their highest potential of exploration and life-long learning in our global technologically-driven economy.

Distinguished Hawaii Legislators, I come to you today to respectfully request your support and full funding of House Bill 2267 and Senate Bill 2606 that will make our dream of giving our future leaders of Hawaii and America the best education tools and resources necessary to transform our 124-year old Industrial Age education model to meet the current and future needs of our rapidly accelerating knowledge-based Technology Age, resulting in improved student outcomes and college and career readiness.

I was motivated to provide my sincere testimony because of today’s Honolulu Star-Advertiser commentary by Caroline Joiner, regional executive director for TechNet who leads education policy for her organization and captured our imagination of making our classrooms true gateways to 21st-century learning. “Digital education critical to enhancing Hawaii’s global status” provides a very succinct and accurate commentary concerning what our Hawaii State Legislature can do to realize the promise of digital education.

I am a proud product of our public schools in Hawaii. However, I consider myself to be very fortunate to achieve success early in my 70 years living in Hawaii because of my 7th grade English, Social Studies, and Science teacher, Mrs. Wang, who inspired and motivated me to be the best I can be by announcing at the start of the school year that she would physically seat each student in the classroom at the end of each quarter according to their grades achieved for that quarter. She fueled a spark in me that continues to this day, a passion for learning and exploration of the many wonders of our Universe.

I would like to fuel this spark in all of our students and allow them to achieve their dreams and passions by exploring our Universe through the wonderful tools of our digital technology.

Your full support and funding for these critical digital education tools and resources would go a long way in making Hawaii a model of digital education for the World to emulate.

Very respectfully,

George Tsuchida

Mililani Mauka

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