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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A TASK  
FORCE TO ASSESS THE POSSIBILITY OF ALLOWING ACCESS TO  
CONDOMS ON SCHOOL CAMPUSES IN HAWAII.

1           WHEREAS, the National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention  
2 and Health Promotion, Division of Adolescent and School Health's  
3 "2009 Hawaii Youth Risk Behavior Survey" indicated the following  
4 among high school students:

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- 6           (1) Forty-four percent have had sexual intercourse;
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  - 8           (2) Six percent had sexual intercourse for the first time  
9 before the age of thirteen;
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  - 11           (3) Eleven percent had sexual intercourse with four or  
12 more persons during their life;
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  - 14           (4) Thirty-one percent had sexual intercourse with at  
15 least one person during the three months prior to  
16 taking the survey; and
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  - 18           (5) Fifty-two percent of those who were sexually active at  
19 the time of taking the survey did not use a condom  
20 during their last sexual intercourse; and
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22           WHEREAS, teenage pregnancy can disrupt families and is  
23 linked with lower educational attainment and lower economic  
24 well-being of parents and their children; and

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26           WHEREAS, section 321-11.1, Hawaii Revised Statutes,  
27 requires that "[s]exuality health education programs funded by  
28 the State shall provide medically accurate and factual  
29 information that is age appropriate and includes education on  
30 abstinence, contraception, and methods of disease prevention to  
31 prevent unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted disease,  
32 including human immunodeficiency virus"; and



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2 WHEREAS, Hawaii's education policy also states that "the  
3 distribution of condoms and other prophylactic devices to  
4 students shall be prohibited in the classroom, on the school  
5 campus, or at any school-related activities"; and  
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7 WHEREAS, findings that were published in the *Journal of*  
8 *American Medical Association* of the program evaluation of the  
9 Hawaii Youth Services Network adaptation of *Making Proud*  
10 *Choices!*, an evidence-based curriculum for young adolescents  
11 ages 11-13 on sexually transmitted diseases, human  
12 immunodeficiency virus, and pregnancy prevention, show that  
13 program participants reported more consistent and higher  
14 frequency use of condoms and less unprotected sex; and  
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16 WHEREAS, data indicates that increasing access to condoms  
17 would effectively reduce the rate of teenage pregnancies, which  
18 is greater than the national average, and sexually transmitted  
19 diseases among Hawaii's youth; and  
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21 WHEREAS, Hawaii's youth have expressed the need for more  
22 materials and school curriculum to emphasize the prevention of  
23 teenage pregnancy prevention items, such as condoms; and  
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25 WHEREAS, a task force chaired by the Superintendent of  
26 Education and made up of the representatives from the Department  
27 of Health, the Department of Human Services, the Board of  
28 Education, and various members of the education and youth  
29 services community would be in the best position to assess the  
30 possibility of allowing access to condoms on school campuses;  
31 now, therefore,  
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33 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-sixth  
34 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2012, the  
35 House of Representatives concurring, that the Superintendent of  
36 Education is requested to establish a task force to assess the  
37 possibility of allowing access to condoms on school campuses;  
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40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force, with the  
41 Superintendent of Education as Chair, include:  
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- 43 (1) One representative from the Department of Human  
44 Services;



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- (2) One representative from the Department of Health;
- (3) One representative from the Board of Education; and
- (4) Six representatives from the education and youth services community, three of which shall be selected by the Senate President and three of which shall be selected by the Speaker of the House; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to address the following issues as part of its assessment:

- (1) At what age or grade level should condom access be allowed;
- (2) Who should be authorized to distribute condoms;
- (3) What training, if any, should be required regarding condom use;
- (4) Whether condom access should be accompanied by literature or education on family planning and sexually transmitted diseases and infections;
- (5) Where condom distribution should take place; and
- (6) Whether parents should be notified if school personnel provide condoms to children; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the task force shall not receive compensation for their service but shall be reimbursed for necessary expenses, including travel expenses, incurred in the performance of their duties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to submit its findings and recommendations, including proposed legislation, if any, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2013; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force be dissolved on June 30, 2013; and



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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Superintendent of  
3 Education, Chairperson of the Board of Education, Director of  
4 Health, Director of Human Services, Hawaii Youth Services  
5 Network, and President of the Hawaii State PTSA.

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