
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PREPARE AND SUBMIT A
REPORT ON TITLED, FORMULA DRIVEN, AND DISCRETIONARY FEDERAL
FUNDS FOR WHICH THE STATE IS ELIGIBLE.

1 WHEREAS, on December 15, 2015, the President signed the
2 federal Every Student Succeeds Act into law; and

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4 WHEREAS, on April 14, 2016, the Governor announced a new
5 plan for Hawaii to seize and maximize the opportunity provided
6 for by the Every Student Succeeds Act, which included the
7 development of Hawaii's Blueprint for Public Education; and

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9 WHEREAS, the purposes of Hawaii's Blueprint for Public
10 Education include: serving as a framework to guide strategic
11 planning and future decisions at the state and local levels
12 regarding public education; providing an inclusive and
13 transparent process for engaging education stakeholders across
14 all islands; articulating a bold and aspirational vision for
15 public education; and guiding educational strategic and
16 operational plans and policy; and

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18 WHEREAS, a report detailing the titled, formula driven, and
19 discretionary federal funds that are available for public
20 education, the purposes of the funds, and the reasons for any
21 lapses in the State receiving funds will provide policy makers
22 with the information necessary to ensure that: the Every Student
23 Succeeds Act and Hawaii's Blueprint for Public Education are
24 followed and complied with; and the receipt and use of federal
25 public education funding is optimized; now, therefore,

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27 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
28 Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
29 of 2017, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Education
30 is requested to prepare a report on titled, formula driven, and



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1 discretionary federal funds available for public education and
2 for which the State was eligible, and whether the federal funds
3 were obtained or used by the State; and
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education is
6 requested to include in its report a review of:
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- 8 (1) Titled, formula driven, discretionary, and federal
9 funds that were available between October 1, 2015, and
10 September 30, 2016;
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- 12 (2) Titled, formula driven, discretionary, and federal
13 funds approved for Hawaii between October 1, 2015, and
14 September 30, 2016, but are no longer available due to
15 the funds not being expended or drawn down;
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- 17 (3) The process of and criteria for disbursing titled,
18 formula driven, and discretionary federal funds in the
19 current fiscal year;
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- 21 (4) The amounts of titled, formula driven, and
22 discretionary federal funds disbursed during the
23 current fiscal year; and
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- 25 (5) The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance category of
26 funds, all original allowable uses of those funds, and
27 the reasons for any funding lapses or no cost
28 extensions that have occurred since September 1, 2015;
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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education is
32 requested to examine the efficient utilization of federal
33 resources available to Hawaii to ensure that funding follows
34 students and is used within appropriate and expected timelines;
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37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education is
38 requested to submit a report of its findings and
39 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the
40 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
41 the Regular Session of 2018; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education is
2 requested to submit its report in accordance with section 93-16,
3 Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
6 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor,
7 Chairperson of the Board of Education, Superintendent of
8 Education, Chairperson of the State Public Charter School
9 Commission, Director of the Hawaii Education Policy Center, and
10 the respective Executive Directors of the State Public Charter
11 School Commission, Hawaii Public Charter Schools Network,
12 Hookakoo Corporation, and Education Institute of Hawaii.
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