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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO SUBMIT A REPORT ON
UNUTILIZED, LAPSED FEDERAL GRANT REVENUE FOR PUBLIC
EDUCATION.

1 WHEREAS, the Department of Education receives federal
2 grants for public education which must be used for specific
3 purposes within specific periods of time, or else be returned to
4 the federal government; and

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6 WHEREAS, each grant has a Catalog of Federal Domestic
7 Assistance (CFDA) number which categorizes the grant and
8 identifies its intended purpose and any attached guidelines; and

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10 WHEREAS, the Department of Education underwent a financial
11 audit in each of the years 2013 to 2016; and

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13 WHEREAS, each of these audits revealed that the Department
14 of Education had underutilized over \$175,000,000 of federal
15 funding per year; and

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17 WHEREAS, a clear understanding of all federal funds
18 available for public education in Hawaii, including their
19 purposes and expiration dates, is critical to inform decisions
20 regarding the total funding of public education in Hawaii; now,
21 therefore,

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23 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
24 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018, the
25 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of
26 Education is requested to review its financial records from the
27 last five fiscal years, specifically its revenue from federal
28 grants, including titled, discretionary, and formula-based
29 grants, and submit a report of its findings and recommendations
30 to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the
31 convening of the Regular Session of 2019, on unutilized, lapsed
32 federal grant revenue for public education; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report identify:

- (1) All federal grants which the Department received over the last five years;
- (2) The amount of funds used from each grant;
- (3) The amount of funds left unused and lapsed from each grant; and
- (4) Ways that any unused funds could have been used; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report contain the description of each grant and the CFDA number for each grant; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education is requested to provide a copy of the report to the Governor; President of the Senate; Speaker of the House of Representatives; Chairperson of the Board of Education; Superintendent of Education; Chair and Executive Director of the State Public Charter School Commission; Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Education; Chairperson of the House of Representatives Committee on Education; Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Hawaiian Affairs; Chairperson of the House of Representatives Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, and Hawaiian Affairs; Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs; and all county mayors, no later than ten days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2019; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor; President of the Senate; Speaker of the House of Representatives; Chairperson of the Board of Education; Superintendent of Education; Chair and Executive Director of the State Public Charter School Commission; Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Education; Chairperson of the House of Representatives Committee on Education; Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Hawaiian Affairs; Chairperson of the House of Representatives Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, and Hawaiian Affairs;



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1 Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian
2 Affairs; and all county mayors.

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