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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the department of  
2 education is one of the largest departments in the State, with  
3 two hundred fifty-six schools and forty-two thousand full-time  
4 and part-time employees. In addition to the superintendent of  
5 education, there is one deputy superintendent, one senior  
6 assistant superintendent, and four assistant superintendents,  
7 one of whom is the assistant superintendent for information  
8 technology services, who oversees six branches and directs a  
9 central and field staff of approximately one hundred eighty  
10 employees. Although the department of education is part of the  
11 state executive branch, unlike other executive branch  
12 departments, it continues to completely handle its own  
13 information technology services, including operating its own  
14 broadband network, internet services, help desk, email systems,  
15 and data center and independently undertaking information  
16 technology budget preparation and execution. While large  
17 departments like the department of education may always need to



1 have its own information technology staff for certain functions,  
2 especially where intimate knowledge of the educational functions  
3 and processes of the department is essential, there may be  
4 significant benefits to working collaboratively within the  
5 executive branch and more closely with other departments and the  
6 office of enterprise technology services.

7 The purpose of this Act is to require the office of  
8 enterprise technology services, in collaboration with the  
9 department of education, to establish a working group to study  
10 the department of education's information technology  
11 infrastructure, operations, and services.

12 SECTION 2. (a) The office of enterprise technology  
13 services, in collaboration with the department of education,  
14 shall convene a working group to evaluate the department of  
15 education's information technology infrastructure, operations,  
16 and services, including but not limited to:

- 17 (1) Identifying and reviewing duplicative, overlapping, or  
18 common services and infrastructure provided by the  
19 department of education and office of enterprise  
20 technology services;



1           (2)    Recommending which information technology functions  
2                    are best conducted entirely by the department of  
3                    education, entirely by the office of enterprise  
4                    technology services, or in collaboration with the  
5                    office of enterprise technology services or other  
6                    departments;

7           (3)    Identifying operational efficiencies and cost savings  
8                    that may result from such recommendations, as well as  
9                    enhancements to the educational mission of the  
10                  department of education and any collaborating  
11                  departments; and

12          (4)    Refining the working and reporting information  
13                  technology relationships between the department of  
14                  education, other executive branch departments, and the  
15                  office of enterprise technology services.

16          (b)    The working group shall consist of the following  
17 members:

18          (1)    The state chief information officer, or the chief  
19                  information officer's designee, who shall serve as  
20                  chair of the working group;



- 1           (2) A representative from the office of enterprise and  
2           technology services, to be appointed by the governor  
3           without regard to the senate confirmation requirement  
4           of section 26-34, Hawaii Revised Statutes, or the  
5           representative's designee;
- 6           (3) A representative from Transform Hawaii Government, to  
7           be appointed by the governor without regard to the  
8           senate confirmation requirement of section 26-34,  
9           Hawaii Revised Statutes, or the representative's  
10          designee;
- 11          (4) The University of Hawaii's chief information officer,  
12          or the chief information officer's designee, who shall  
13          be an ex-officio non-voting member;
- 14          (5) The department of education chief information officer,  
15          or the chief information officer's designee, who shall  
16          be an ex officio nonvoting member;
- 17          (6) The superintendent of education, or the  
18          superintendent's designee, who shall be an ex-officio  
19          nonvoting member; and



1           (7) The department of education chief academic officer, or  
2           the chief academic officer's designee, who shall be an  
3           ex-officio nonvoting member.

4           (c) The working group shall submit a report of its  
5 findings and recommendations, including any proposed  
6 legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior  
7 to the convening of the regular session of 2019.

8           SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

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**Report Title:**

Information Technology; Department of Education; Office of Enterprise Technology Services; Working Group

**Description:**

Requires the office of enterprise technology services, in collaboration with the department of education, to establish a working group to study the department of education's information technology infrastructure, operations, and services.

Establishes the members and duties of the working group. (SD1)

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