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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE STATE AUDITOR TO PERFORM AN AUDIT OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S OFFICE OF CURRICULUM AND
INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN.

1 WHEREAS, the purpose of the Department of Education's
2 Office of Curriculum and Instructional Design is to advance
3 innovative and responsive instructional design and support
4 systems to enable positive outcomes and reduce gaps for all
5 student learners; and
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7 WHEREAS, the Office of Curriculum and Instructional Design
8 consists of the Extended Learning Branch, which supports schools
9 and complex areas through extended learning programs for
10 students and professional development for educators through its
11 Digital Design and Extracurricular Teams, and Curriculum
12 Innovation Branch, which focuses on the development and
13 implementation of research-based practices, processes, and
14 professional development for teachers and administrators to
15 ensure support to schools and complex areas as the primary
16 facilitators of teaching and learning; and
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18 WHEREAS, in a review of Department of Education active
19 contracts as of December 1, 2020, there appeared to be various
20 contracts ranging between \$38,500 and \$215,000 through which
21 schools procured services for curriculum development, design,
22 and review; and
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24 WHEREAS, under section 23-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the
25 Auditor may examine and inspect all accounts, books, records,
26 files, papers, and documents and all financial affairs of every
27 department, office, agency, and political subdivision; and
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29 WHEREAS, because the services procured by these contracts
30 appear to duplicate the duties of the Office of Curriculum and
31 Instructional Design, it is in the public interest for the
32 Auditor to conduct a performance audit of the current policies



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1 and procedures of the Office to ensure that it is optimizing its
2 ability to support schools in the design and development of
3 curriculum and professional development; now, therefore,
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5 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first
6 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021, the
7 House of Representatives concurring, that the Auditor is
8 requested to conduct a performance audit of the policies and
9 procedures of the Office of Curriculum and Instructional Design
10 and how it effectuates its responsibility to schools in the
11 design, development, and support of curriculum; and
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13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is urged to examine
14 and include in its report whether the Office's activities are
15 achieving their intended objectives and whether these activities
16 are being conducted effectively, efficiently, economically,
17 ethically, and equitably; and
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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to
20 submit a report of any findings and recommendations, including
21 any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than
22 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of
23 2022; and
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
26 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor, Chairperson
27 of the Board of Education, and Superintendent of Education.
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