



Aloha HE'E Members and Participants,

Upcoming HE'E Meetings

HE'E Planning Meeting: Tuesday, April 8, 2014, 9:00-11:00 am at The Learning Coalition, 841 Bishop Street, #301 (See map [here](#). Validated Parking at Ali' Place at 1099 Alakea Street.) For those needing special accommodations, please contact cheri@heecoalition.org.

We will continue to give an update on status of bills Coalition has been following.

Upcoming Member Events

Castle Complex Education Summit, Windward Community College, Hale Akoakoa, Tuesday, April 15, 2014. 5:30 PM - Registration & Refreshments 6:00-8:00 PM - Program

Light meal provided. See flyer [here](#).

Be captivated by renowned speaker Kathy Bentley as she unlocks the mystery of children's brains and behavior. Hear Kahuku and UH football great Walter Santiago tie sports and academics to success in life.

Our Public School 5th Year Anniversary Celebration, Soul De Cuba Cafe, 1121 Bethel St., Thursday, April 17, 2014, 6:30-9:00 pm

Please join Our Public School to celebrate its 5th Anniversary, honoring its supporters and partners! See the attached flyer for event details [here](#). Valet Parking is available, 1 block mauka, at the corner of Bethel and Chaplain Lane. Website for Our Public School is www.ourpublicschool.org

Legislative News

There are two Governor's Messages, [GM 706](#) and [GM 707](#), for Don Horning and Jim Williams, respectively, for which we will ask the Coalition voting members for a vote supporting the proposed positions. The hearing will be on April 9, 2014 at 1:15 pm in Conference Room 414. Please see proposed position and testimony in the list below.

Among the bills that the Coalition has taken a position on, bills on Early Learning, After School, Instructional Hours, Superintendent Salary and Air Conditioning Planning are still alive. Those that have not progressed include bills on the Youth Risk Behavior Survey.

The list below is an update of bills that the Coalition is taking a position on, or bills that members have expressed interest in following. Please view Senator Tokuda's recent "Updater" lists for Senate bills [here](#), House bills [here](#), and Hearing Notices [here](#). Any bill status can be looked up on <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/>

To submit testimony, please see instructions on Capitol webpage [here](#).

Hearing Date	Bill	Description	Remarks
EDU 414 4/09/2014 1:15 PM View	GM706 Status and Testimony HE'E proposed position: Support Proposed Testimony	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Education, Gubernatorial Nominee, DONALD HORNER, for a term to expire 6-30-2017.	4/1/2014 S The committee(s) on EDU has scheduled a public hearing on 04-09-14 1:15PM in conference room 414.
EDU 414 4/09/2014 1:15 PM View	GM707 Status and Testimony HE'E proposed position: Support	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Education, Gubernatorial Nominee, JAMES WILLIAMS, for a term to expire 6-30-2017.	4/1/2014 S The committee(s) on EDU has scheduled a public hearing on 04-09-14 1:15PM in conference room 414.

	Proposed Testimony		
	HB1676 HD1 SD1 Status and Testimony HE'E Position: Support	RELATED TO EARLY LEARNING. Authorizes the executive office on early learning to enter into agreements with the department of education and charter schools for use of vacant or underutilized classrooms as public preschool classrooms. Makes an appropriation.	3/25/2014 S The committee(s) on WAM recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, UNAMENDED. The votes in WAM were as follows: 12 Aye(s): Senator(s) Ige, Kidani, Chun Oakland, Dela Cruz, English, Espero, Kahele, Keith-Agaran, Ruderman, L. Thielen, Tokuda, Slom; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 0 No(es): none; and 1 Excused: Senator(s) Kouchi.
	HB2276 HD1 SD2 Status and Testimony HE'E Position: Support	RELATING TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION. Establishes the Early Childhood Education Program within the Early Learning System established by section 302L-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes.	3/25/2014 S The committee(s) on WAM recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes in WAM were as follows: 10 Aye(s): Senator(s) Ige, Kidani, Chun Oakland, Dela Cruz, English, Espero, Kahele, Keith-Agaran, L. Thielen, Tokuda; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 1 No(es): Senator(s) Slom; and 2 Excused: Senator(s) Kouchi, Ruderman.
	SB 2975 SD1 Status and Testimony HE'E Position: Support	RELATING TO EARLY LEARNING. Makes an appropriation for the executive office on early learning to enter into contracts with third party providers for family child interaction learning programs.	3/31/2014 H The committees on FIN recommend that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes were as follows: 16 Ayes: Representative(s) Luke, Nishimoto, Johanson, Cullen, Ing, Jordan, Kobayashi, Lowen, Morikawa, Onishi, Takayama, Tokioka, Woodson, Yamashita, Fukumoto, Ward; Ayes with reservations: none; Noes: none; and 1 Excused: Representative(s) Hashem.
	SB2768 SD2 HD1 Status and Testimony HE'E Position: Support	RELATING TO KINDERGARTEN. Amends the compulsory education law to make kindergarten mandatory.	3/28/2014 H The committees on FIN recommend that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes were as follows: 16 Ayes: Representative(s) Luke, Nishimoto, Johanson, Cullen, Hashem, Ing, Jordan, Kobayashi, Morikawa, Onishi, Takayama, Tokioka, Woodson, Yamashita, Fukumoto, Ward; Ayes with reservations: none; Noes: none; and 1 Excused: Representative(s) Lowen.
	HB1675 HD1 SD1 Status and Testimony Position: Oppose with amendments	Requires all public secondary schools to implement a school year that includes nine hundred ninety student instructional hours beginning with the 2014-2015 school year. Repeals the requirement that by the 2016-2018 school years, all public schools implement a school year of one hundred eighty days and one thousand eighty student instructional hours for	3/31/2014 S The committee(s) on WAM recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes in WAM were as follows: 10 Aye(s): Senator(s) Ige, Kidani, Chun Oakland, Espero, Tokuda; Aye(s) with reservations: Senator(s) Dela

		both elementary and secondary school grades. Clarifies that the definition of "student instructional hours" shall be determined by the board of education.	Cruz, English, Kahele, Keith-Agaran, Slom ; 1 No(es): Senator(s) L. Thielen; and 2 Excused: Senator(s) Kouchi, Ruderman.
	SB2424 SD2 Status and Testimony HE'E Position: Support	RELATING TO AIR CONDITIONING IN PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES. Requires DOE and DAGS to develop a cooling master strategy and comprehensive study for the public schools and to report its findings to the 2015 regular session of the legislature. Appropriates funds.	4/2/2014 H The committees on FIN recommend that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes were as follows: 16 Ayes: Representative(s) Luke, Nishimoto, Johanson, Cullen, Ing, Jordan, Kobayashi, Lowen, Morikawa, Onishi, Takayama, Tokioka, Woodson, Yamashita, Fukumoto, Ward; Ayes with reservations: none; Noes: none; and 1 Excused: Representative(s) Hashem
	HB1756 HD1 SD1 Status and Testimony HE'E Position: Support	RELATING TO YOUTH. Establishes the resources for enrichment, athletics, culture, and health (R.E.A.C.H.) program in the office of youth services to provide a standardized framework and funding for after-school programs in public middle and intermediate schools. Establishes a revolving fund to receive fees and other moneys to supplement the costs of administering and operating the program. Appropriates funds for establishing the R.E.A.C.H. program to provide funding for after-school programs in middle and intermediate public schools. Establishes one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) position to support the program and appropriates funds for that position.	3/25/2014 S The committee(s) on WAM recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes in WAM were as follows: 12 Aye(s): Senator(s) Ige, Kidani, Chun Oakland, Dela Cruz, English, Espero, Kahele, Keith-Agaran, Kouchi, Ruderman, L. Thielen, Tokuda; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 1 No(es): Senator(s) Slom; and 0 Excused: none.
	HB2257 HD2 SD2 Status and Testimony HE'E Position: Support HE'E Testimony	RELATING TO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SUPERINTENDENT'S SALARY. Adjusts the salary cap of the Superintendent of Education.	3/25/2014 S The committee(s) on WAM recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes in WAM were as follows: 11 Aye(s): Senator(s) Ige, Kidani, Chun Oakland, Dela Cruz, English, Espero, Kahele, Keith-Agaran, Ruderman, Tokuda; Aye(s) with reservations: Senator(s) L. Thielen ; 1 No(es): Senator(s) Slom; and 1 Excused: Senator(s) Kouchi.
	HB2109 HD2 SD1 Status and Testimony HE'E Position: Support	RELATING TO AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENTS. Establishes and funds the Fun 5 Program within the A+ Program in Hawaii's public elementary schools. Appropriation. Effective July 1, 2014.	4/2/2014 S The committee(s) on WAM recommend(s) that the measure be PASSED, UNAMENDED. The votes in WAM were as follows: 13 Aye(s): Senator(s) Ige, Kidani, Chun Oakland, Dela Cruz, English, Espero, Kahele, Keith-Agaran, Kouchi, Ruderman, L. Thielen, Tokuda, Slom; Aye(s) with reservations: none ; 0 No(es): none; and 0 Excused: none.
	HB1700 HD1 SD1 Status and Testimony	RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET. Description: To adjust and request appropriations for Fiscal Biennium	3/27/2014 S The committee(s) on WAM recommend(s) that the

	HE'E Position: Support HIDEOE's Supplemental Budget Request	2013-15 funding requirements for operations and capital improvement projects of Executive Branch agencies and programs.	measure be PASSED, WITH AMENDMENTS. The votes in WAM were as follows: 13 Aye(s): Senator(s) Ige, Kidani, Chun Oakland, Dela Cruz, English, Espero, Kahele, Keith-Agaran, Kouchi, Ruderman, L. Thielen, Tokuda; Aye(s) with reservations: Senator(s) Slom ; 0 No(es): none; and 0 Excused: none. 3/28/2014 S Reported from WAM (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3140) with recommendation of passage on Second Reading, as amended (SD 1) and placement on the calendar for Third Reading. 3/28/2014 S Report adopted; Passed Second Reading, as amended (SD 1). 3/28/2014 S 48 Hrs. Notice 03-31-14. 3/31/2014 S Passed Third Reading, as amended (SD 1). Ayes, 23; Aye(s) with reservations: none . Noes, 1 (Senator(s) Slom). Excused, 1 (Senator(s) Shimabukuro). Transmitted to House. 3/31/2014 H Returned from Senate (Sen. Com. No. 422) in amended form (SD 1). 4/1/2014 H House disagrees with Senate amendment (s). 4/2/2014 S Received notice of disagreement (Hse. Com. No. 408).
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