

HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

HACC Challenge – New Legislative Bill Tracker

October 15, 2022

Brandon Lee,

Policy, Innovation, Planning & Evaluation Branch

Office of Strategy, Innovation and Performance



Hawaii State Department of Education

- **Brandon Lee, Legislative Coordinator**
 - Email: Brandon.T.Lee@k12.hi.us
 - Phone: (808) 282-5661





Hawaii State Department of Education

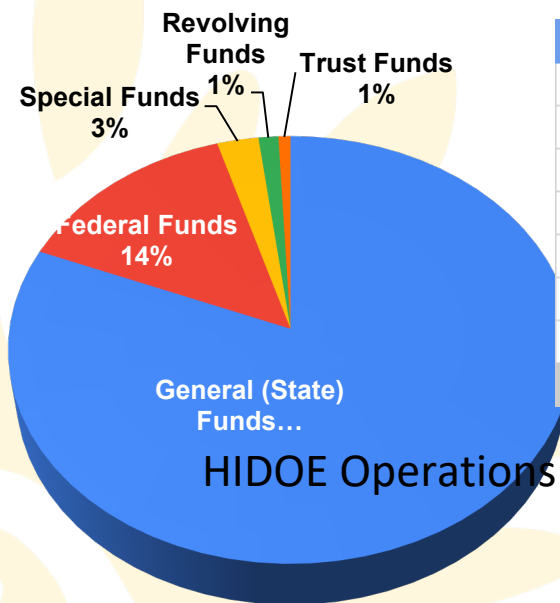
- \$2.1 billion budget
- Educates 171,600 students annually
- Employs 22,000 full-time employees and 20,000 substitutes and casual employees in positions across 294 public schools, 15 complex areas, and the state office.





Why is the Hawai'i State Legislature Important?

- Dictates what the Department can and cannot do thru laws
- What the Department needs to work and report on
- Dictates the Department's Budget: Allocates 5 of 6 dollars



CATEGORY	% TOTAL	FY 2022	FY 2021
General (State) Funds	80.9%	\$1,674,745,046	\$1,659,292,670
Federal Funds	14.2%	\$ 293,277,785	\$ 270,253,168
Special Funds	2.6%	\$ 53,779,567	\$ 53,690,411
Revolving Funds	1.2%	\$ 25,741,082	\$ 25,682,326
Trust Funds	0.8%	\$ 15,650,000	\$ 15,650,000
Interdepartmental Transfers	0.4%	\$ 7,495,605	\$ 7,495,605
Private Contributions	0.0%	\$ 150,000	\$ 150,000
TOTAL	100.0%	\$2,070,839,085	\$2,032,214,180

“In politics, an organized minority is a political majority.”

- Reverend Jesse





Hawaii Civics 101 How a Bill Becomes a Law:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pBTSgKJxXhU&t=5s>





Challenge to Solve

- Need a new legislative tracking system to replace the current Lotus Notes program developed last century
 - Our IT Lotus Notes expert in the Department is going to retire in the next few years
 - The program allows the Department to be organized in responding throughout the Legislative session
 - Without the program, educational policy in Hawaii will suffer and state funding will be put at risk
 - No state agency has a system with the same functionality as Lotus Notes



Lotus Notes

Legislative Bill Tracking

All Documents

- BOE
- CAS Comments
- Deputy
- Editor
- HEARING NOTICES
- HTSB
- Legislative Inquiry
- Monitoring Reports
- OCID
- OFS
- OITS
- OSFSS
- OSIP
- OSSS
- OTM
- Supt
 - Action-Monitor
 - Action-Testimony
 - Action-Testimony Active
 - Action-Testimony with Testimony
 - Active Bills by Bill #
 - Acts
 - All Bills by Bill #**
 - All Bills by Last Status
 - Bills by Action & Bill #
 - Bills by Date Posted
 - Bills by Last Edit Date





1 View Bill by Status
2 Create Tracking Document
3 Send DocLink
4 Create Hearing Notice
5 Export to XL

Search in View 'SuptAll Bills by Bill #'

Search for

	Bill # ^	Bill / Resolution ^	Office ^	Action ^	Commil ^	Hearing ^	Hearing Type	DOE Position
★	HB 1235	Directs the Department of Education to require each student from kindergarten through grade 12 to take a pedestrian-safety course annually.	OCID, BOE	Testimony LHE, FIN				
★	HB 1245	Excludes gender or sex markers from limited purpose driver's licenses and limited purpose provisional driver's licenses.	OCID	Monitor	TRN, JUD			
★	HB 1259, SD1, CD1	Appropriates capital improvement projects for fiscal biennium 2019–2021.	OSFSS, OFS	Testimony WAM		04/25/2019	Conference	Support
★	HB 1260	Reduces, for members who join the Employees' Retirement System after June 20, 2019, and have credited service as a judge, the retirement allowance for each year of credited service	OTM	Monitor	LAB, FIN	02/07/2019		
★	HB 1264, HD1	Authorizes forfeiture of certain ERS benefits, pursuant to court order, for state or county employees and designated beneficiaries who are convicted of an employment-related felony. (HB1264)	OTM	Monitor	LCA, JDC/WAM	02/27/2019	Hearing	
★	HB 1267	Clarifies that Hawaii's anti-discrimination law does not prohibit or prevent an employer, employment agency, or labor organization from refusing to hire or refer or from discharging an individual for	OTM	Monitor	LAB, JUD	02/07/2019		
★	HB 1269	Clarifies the professionals who may administer autism treatment under mandated insurance coverage establish by Luke's Law.	OSSS	Monitor	HLT, CPC	02/14/2019		
★	HB 1274, HD1, SD1	Establishes a collective bargaining unit for graduate student assistants employed by the University of Hawaii. Effective 1/1/2051. (SD1)	OCID, OTM, OFS	Monitor	EDU, WAM	04/05/2019	Hearing	Comments
★	HB 1275, HD1	Pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement negotiated for Bargaining Unit (5), provides annual salary step increases for public school teachers and educational officers who have	OTM, OFS, BOE	Testimony	LCA/EDU, WAM	02/22/2019		Comments
	HB 1276		OSIP, OTM, OCID, OFS, BOE, DEPUTY	Testimony	EDU, WAM	04/23/2019	Hearing	Comments



Link Current Bill/Measure Status (Click Status for updated information on this measure.)				
Bill/Resolution #	Office	Action	Status:	Act #
SB 2486, SD1, HD1	OSIP, OFS, OCID, OITS, OSSS, OTM	Testimony	Passed/Adopted	076
Comments		Department Comments and Recommendation (to Gov)		
Companion	Report Title			Leg Type:
HB2093	DOE; Data Collection; Transparency; Accountability			Bill
Committee Referral	Measure Title		Introduced By	
LHE, FIN	RELATING TO EDUCATION DATA.		KIDANI	
Description				
Requires the department of education to establish a standardized data collection process; collect and analyze data relating to, among other things, student discipline, seclusion, and restraint, school climate, and student achievement; and annually report certain information to the board of education, legislature, and the public. (HD1)				
Link Hearings		Last Status Text		
		9/16/2020 H Became law without the Governor's signature, Act 076, 09/15/2020, (Gov. Msg. No. 1186). 9/16/2020 S Became law without the Governor's signature, Act 076, 09/15/2020, (Gov. Msg. No. 1186).		
Notified	Hearing Date / Time / Location	Committee	Type	
6/26 06:13 PM 📄	Mon 6/29 02:00 PM 329	House Finance	Hearing	
Jan Fukada - 784-6042; Rodney Luke - 586-3400 Kelley Puuohau 586-3400; Shari Tada 784-6040				
Lead Office Position	Testifier	Approved Testimony		Similar
Support	Heidi Armstrong 02/24/20 - Jan Fukada (No oral-respond to questions)	 SB2486_EDN_06-29-20_FIN_Support.pdf  SB2486_EDN_06-23-20_LHE_Support.pdf  SB2486-SD1_EDN_2-24-20_JDC_Support.pdf  SB2486_EDN_01-31-20_EDU_Support.pdf		HB 2093
Monitoring Reports		Hearing Comments		
Testimony				
📅 06/29/2020	SB 2486, SD1	Approved	Jan Fukada	The Department of Education (Department) supports SB 2486, SD 1 and respectfully provides comments. Systematic data collection improves our
📅 06/23/2020	SB 2486, SD1	Approved	Jan Fukada	The Department of Education (Department) supports SB 2486, SD 1 and respectfully provides comments. Systematic data collection improves our
📅 02/24/2020	SB 2486, SD1	Approved	Jan Fukada	The Department of Education (Department) supports SB 2486, SD 1 and
OCID OFS OITS OSSS OTM OSIP				
OSIP		Input to:		
Action: Testimony		Action By: Jan Fukada; Rodney Luke		
Assigned To: DGA		Secretary: Kelley Puuohau; Shari Tada		
OSIP Comments: Reviewed 6.22.20 jd				
Branch Comments:				



Testimony Role	Typical Staffer	Responsibilities
Processor	Secretary	Assigns testimony to appropriate subject matter expert
Writer	Educational Specialist, Institutional Analyst	Drafts testimony; routes to Office Approver
Office Approver	Assistant Superintendent, Director, Administrator	Reviews testimony for accuracy, thoroughness, and alignment with HIDOE priorities and positions
PIPE Approver	PIPE Staff	Reviews for potential policy conflicts; works with Office on any substantive changes; routes to Final Approver
Final Approver	HIDOE Leadership	Ensures testimony best reflects the Superintendent's thinking and voice; approves final version of testimony
Processor	Secretary	Submits final version of testimony to Legislature, email partners, loads testimony onto Lotus Notes



Directions: After completing testimony, identify who to route the testimony to in the field below, then click on "Route..." button.

COMMENTS (include date & your initials):

Route testimony to: Ellen Nishioka/OSIP/HIDOE; Kelley Puuohau/OSIP/HIDOE; Rodney Luke/OSIP/HIDOE <= click button to select name(s) as it appears in Lotus Notes

☒ **Testimony same as previous**

Route for Office Review

Route To PIPE

Status: ☒ Active

☐ Inactive

Action: Testimony

Office: OSIP, OFS, OCID, OITS, OSSS, OTM

Assigned to: DGA

Action By: CN=Jan Fukada/OU=OSIP/O=HIDOE, CN=Rodney Luke/OU=OSIP/O=HIDOE

Secretary: CN=Kelley Puuohau/OU=OSIP/O=HIDOE, CN=Shari Tada/OU=OSIP/O=HIDOE

▼ Review Section

📅 06/28/2020 -- routing to OSIP AS - WK

Route to OSIPAS

Route To Deputy

Send back to lead office for additional edits

▼ Approval Section:

Final Approval Directions:

Review and edit testimony as necessary. To reroute back to person, change name in **Route testimony to:** field and click on **Save & Route...** above.

Final Approval given for Supt's office below

Status: **Approved** 06/28/2020

Process =>

Final Approval given...

📅

Send back to lead office for additional edits

Reroute to OSIPAS

Reroute To Deputy

Created by: Jan Fukada/OSIP/HIDOE
Created on: 06/27/2020 10:02:10 PM

Last Edited by: Rodney Luke/OSIP/HIDOE
Date: 06/28/2020 07:40:24 AM



Solution: Create a New Legislative Tracker

- Tracks and organizes scraped data from the Hawaii State Capitol website
- Organizes work flow and notifies 200 – 250 Department employees to submit legislative testimony
- Provides multi-layers of access and approvals
- Modern system to enable greater efficiencies



You Can Be Part of the Solution

