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HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO REPLACE ALL INCANDESCENT BULBS WITH COMPACT FLUORESCENT LIGHTING.

WHEREAS, replacing incandescent bulbs with compact 1 fluorescent lighting reduces greenhouse gases, mercury 2 emissions, and energy expenses; and 3 4 WHEREAS, Energy Star qualified compact fluorescent lights 5 use about seventy-five per cent less energy and last up to ten 6 times longer than incandescent bulbs; and 7 8 9 WHEREAS, according to Energy Star, a federal program to 10 help consumers save money and protect the environment through energy efficient products and practices, if every American 11 household replaced just one incandescent bulb with a qualified 12 compact fluorescent light, the national annual energy costs 13 14 would be reduced by \$600,000,000 and greenhouse gas emissions equivalent to those of more than eight hundred thousand cars 15 would be prevented; and 16 17 WHEREAS, if such abundant savings could be achieved by 18 changes in individual households, then similar efforts by 19 schools would realize even lager-scale benefits; and 20 21 22 WHEREAS, by adopting energy-efficient strategies, schools 23 make a commitment to both their students and the environment; now, therefore, 24 25 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 26 27 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2008, that the Department of Education, is requested 28 to support and promote energy efficiency in public schools and 29 to replace all school incandescent lighting with compact 30 fluorescent lighting; and 31 32



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 1 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the Superintendent of 2 Education, and the Chairperson of the Board of Education. 3 4 5 6

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