SUBJECT: Educational Assessment and Accountability; Annual Reports

REFERENCE: Section 302A-1004, Hawaii Revised Statutes, states as follows:

- "(c) The department shall submit to the legislature and to the governor, at least twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session, an educational status report that includes but is not limited to the following:
- (1) Results of school-by-school assessments of educational outcomes:
- (2) Summaries of each school's standards implementation design;
- (3) Summary descriptions of the demographic makeup of the schools, with indications of the range of these conditions among schools within Hawaii;
- (4) Comparisons of conditions affecting Hawaii's schools with the conditions of schools in other states;
- (5) Other such assessments as may be deemed appropriate by the board; and
- (6) Any other reports required by this session."

ACTION REQUESTED:

That the Department of Education submit a report to the Legislature and the Governor containing the required accountability information.

DOE REPORT:

Two reports have been prepared annually since 1990 by the staff of the Department of Education's assessment and accountability system. The School Status and Improvement Report (SSIR) is a report on individual schools. An SSIR is prepared for each regular public school in the State. For the 2004-05 school year, 257 School Status and Improvement Reports will be prepared. The second report, The Superintendent's Annual Report on School Performance and Improvement in Hawaii, is a statewide summary of performance and progress being made in Hawaii public school system. Both the SSIR and the Superintendent's Report include multi-year data wherever relevant and possible, and both provide contextual background for educational outcomes in reporting and analyzing educational indicators. The Superintendent's Report also includes state-by-state data for comparable analyses of Hawaii's educational system.

The specific educational assessment and accountability information requested by the Legislature, together with reference to the report containing that information, is as follows:

- Results of school-by-school assessments of educational outcomes
 Attachment A, School Status and Improvement Report, pp. 6-7¹
 (For summary, see Superintendent's 15th Annual Report..., pp. 6-7, 16-17)
- Summaries of schools' Standards Implementation Designs (SIDs) Attachment A, School Status and Improvement Report, p. 3
- Summary of demographic makeup of schools
 Attachment A, School Status and Improvement Report, p. 2
 (For summary, see Superintendent's 15th Annual Report..., pp. 5, 14, 18)
- Comparisons of conditions affecting Hawaii's schools with those of schools in other states.
 Attachment B, Superintendent's 15th Annual Report on School Performance and Improvement in Hawaii, (pp. 15)

Both the 2004-05 Superintendent's 16th Annual Report on School Performance and Improvement in Hawaii and the 2004-05 School Status and Improvement Reports are in preparation at this time. A sample SSIR for 2003-04 and the Superintendent's 15th Annual Report on School Performance and Improvement in Hawaii covering 2003-04 are attached to this report. These documents are posted online at http://arch.k12.hi.us.

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¹ Because of the volume of the reports and the cost of reproducing complete sets of the SSIRs (over 1,600 pages per set), only a sample copy is attached here. The complete set of SSIRs is available on Accountability Resource Center Hawaii website at http://arch.12.hi.us