

## LEGISLATIVE REPORT

**SUBJECT:** Relating to Education

**REFERENCE:** SB 2004, SD2, HD2, CD 1, Act 179 (SLH 2008)

**ACTION REQUESTED:** HRS §302-443(3) A report on the total number of requests for a due process hearing relating to the reimbursement of costs for a child's placement filed by a parent or guardian of a child with a disability.

**DOE REPORT:**

**Introduction:**

Act 179 extended the statute of limitations from 90 days to 180 days for a parent to file a due process hearing request included reimbursement for private school tuition. Provision (e) was added to the statute which required the Department of Education (Department) to report to the Legislature on the number of due process hearings relating to reimbursement of private school tuition. This report satisfies the requirement specified in Act 179, HRS §302A-443(e).

**FINDINGS:**

During school year 2008-2009, there were 79 due process hearing requests filed requesting private school reimbursement.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

None