December 13, 2017

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President
and Members of the Senate
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

The Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker
and Members of the House of Representatives
State Capitol, Room 431
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, I am transmitting a copy of the School Impact Fee Report pursuant to Section 302A-1601 through 302A-1612, Hawaii Revised Statutes and Act 245, Section 6, Session Laws of Hawaii, 2007. In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, I am also informing you that the report may be viewed electronically at:

http://www.hawaiipublicschools.org/VisionForSuccess/SchoolDataAndReports/StateReports/Pages/Legislative-reports.aspx

Sincerely,

Dr. Christina M. Kishimoto
Superintendent

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Enclosure

c: Legislative Reference Bureau
   Office of School Facilities and Support Services
Chapter 302A, Sections 302A-1601 to 302A-1612, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires the DOE to annually report on the school impact fees. Refer to entitled “Department of Education School Impact Fees.”
The school impact fee statute is Chapter 302A, Sections 302A-1601 to 302A-1612, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The law includes a specific formula to calculate fees charged to homebuilders in areas of high residential growth. Builders of large projects within School Impact Districts are required to provide land for school facilities depending on the numbers of students expected in their projects and the amount of available classroom space in existing area schools.

Smaller developers and individual home owner-builders are required to pay a fee-in-lieu of land, when their project is too small to entertain a school site. All home builders or buyers must pay a construction cost fee.

The Department of Education (DOE) is collecting school impact fees in two school impact districts on Maui and one district on Oahu.

The DOE is collecting impact fees from the Leeward Oahu District with the assistance of the City and County of Honolulu. Collections in the first four fiscal years to the close of FY2017 have totaled $ 936,636.

For the island of Maui, the DOE has collected fees since January 2011, with the cooperation of Maui County. There are two separate districts on Maui: Central Maui and West Maui. Collections at the close of FY2017 totaled $2.533 million dollars. Fees must be spent for land and facilities within the district that they are collected.

The Board of Education approved the designation of an urban Honolulu district called the “Kalihi to Ala Moana School Impact Fee District” in May 2017. Implementation of the fee collection in the new district will depend on a forthcoming fee analysis.
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http://HawaiiPublicSchools.org