TITLE: HTSB's Plan to Endorse and Support the Building of an Educators Rising Presence in Hawaii

The Hawaii Teacher Standards Board endorses and supports Educators Rising as a Grow Your Own pathway to address the teacher shortage in Hawaii.

HTSB support would include providing time for HTSB staff to engage with various educational stakeholders considering implementing an Educators Rising program. HTSB may also provide funding to help initiate Educator's rising charters and academies. All funding is subject to Board approval of their 2023-2024 Budget.

Rationale/Background:

Educators Rising is a career and technical student organization (CTSO) with intracurricular learning opportunities integrated into existing education and training programs. It can be implemented in multiple ways to help Hawaii address the teacher shortage problem.

Educators Rising is a community-based movement that provides Grow Your Own programming through the Educators Rising Curriculum and supports student activities. The richness of the curriculum and opportunities for students to participate in national conferences and competitions can help to strengthen and build teacher academies in Hawaii schools.

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