A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR ATHLETIC HEALTH CARE TRAINERS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- SECTION 1. The legislature finds that additional athletic 1 health care trainers are necessary to provide quality care for 2 student athletes. However, an increase in the number of teams 3 and participants in multiple athletic venues has shifted the 4 focus of care from implementing conditioning, injury prevention, 5 and rehabilitative programs to injury management. Additional 6 qualified athletic health care trainers are necessary to 7 8 adequately address this increased demand, and these positions should be made permanent and classified within the appropriate 9 10 collective bargaining unit. The purpose of this Act is to provide quality care for 11 student athletes by appropriating funds to: 12
- 13 (1) Establish and fill 16.5 permanent FTE athletic health
 14 care trainer positions in the public schools that
 15 would be assigned, and filled upon criteria
- established, by the department of education; and

- (2) Provide medical and rehabilitation supplies for
 athletic health care trainers.
- 3 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$, or so
- 5 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for
- 6 16.5 permanent FTE athletic health care trainer positions in
- 7 public schools.
- 8 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 9 education for the purposes of this section.
- 10 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$, or so
- 12 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for
- 13 medical and rehabilitation supplies for athletic health care
- 14 trainers.
- 15 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 16 education for the purposes of this section.
- 17 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

Report Title:

Department of Education; Athletic Trainers; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to establish 16.5 additional permanent athletic health care trainer positions in the public schools and to provide athletic trainers with medical and rehabilitation supplies. (SD1)