EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

LINDA LINGLE GOVERNOR

June 29, 2007

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on June 29, 2007, the following bill was signed into law:

HB24 HD1 SD2 CD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEACHERS. (ACT 228)

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE, 2007 STATE OF HAWAII ACT 228
H.B. NO. H.D. 1
S.D. 2
C.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TEACHERS.

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

1	SECTION 1. Section 302A-706, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is				
2	amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:				
3	"(a) There is established within the department the				
4	teacher national board certification incentive program to				
5	recognize and support exemplary teaching practice by supporting				
6	public school teachers who have achieved national board				
7	certification under the certification program of the National				
8	Board for Professional Teaching Standards. The teacher national				
9	board certification incentive program shall provide:				
10	(1) A \$5,000 bonus per year for each public school teacher				
11	who maintains current national board certification;				
12	(2) \$1,500 upon completing the certification program of				
13	the National Board for Professional Teaching				
14	Standards; [and]				
15	(3) A reimbursement of the remainder of the national board				
16	certification application fee upon achievement of				
17	national board certification $[-]$; and				

1	(4)	An a	dditional \$5,000 bonus per year for each public	
2	school teacher who maintains current national board			
3		certification and who teaches at:		
4		(A)	A school that is in restructuring under the No	
5			Child Left Behind Act, Public Law 107-110;	
6		<u>(B)</u>	A school with a high turnover rate, as determined	
7			by the department;	
8		<u>(C)</u>	A school that is not making adequate yearly	
9			progress, but is not in restructuring under the	
10			No Child Left Behind Act, Public Law 107-110; or	
11		(D)	A hard-to-fill school, as determined by the	
12			department."	
13	SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general			
14	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000 or so much			
15	thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 to provide			
16	salary differentials for public school teachers who maintain			
17	current national board certification and teach at qualifying			
18	schools as provided by this Act.			
19	The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of			
20	education for the purposes of this Act.			

- 1 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 3 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

APPROVED this 29 day of

JUN

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII