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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 302A-1303.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes,  
2 is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

3           "(a) There is established within the department of  
4 education the committee on weights to develop a weighted student  
5 formula pursuant to section 302A-1303.6. The committee shall:

6           (1) Create a list of student characteristics that will be  
7           weighted;

8           (2) Create a system of weights based upon the student  
9           characteristics that may be applied to determine the  
10          relative cost of educating any student;

11          (3) Determine specific student weights, including their  
12          unit value;

13          (4) Determine which moneys shall be included in the amount  
14          of funds to be allocated through the weighted student  
15          formula; provided that the weighted student formula  
16          shall not include moneys for librarians;

17          (5) Recommend a weighted student formula to the board of  
18          education;



1 (6) Perform any other function that may facilitate the  
2 implementation of the weighted student formula; and

3 (7) Meet not less than annually to review the weighted  
4 student formula and, if the committee deems it  
5 necessary, recommend a new weighted student formula  
6 for adoption by the board of education."

7 SECTION 2. Section 302A-1303.6, Hawaii Revised Statutes,  
8 is amended to read as follows:

9 "**§302A-1303.6 Weighted student formula.** Based upon  
10 recommendations from the committee on weights, the board of  
11 education, not less than annually, shall adopt a weighted  
12 student formula for the allocation of moneys to public schools  
13 that takes into account the educational needs of each  
14 student[-]; provided that the weighted student formula shall not  
15 include moneys for librarians. The department, upon the receipt  
16 of appropriated moneys, shall use the weighted student formula  
17 to allocate funds to public schools. Principals shall expend  
18 moneys provided to the principals' schools. This section shall  
19 only apply to charter schools for fiscal years in which the  
20 charter schools elect pursuant to section 302B-13 to receive  
21 allocations according to the weighted student formula."



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 December 31,  
4 2008.

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**Report Title:**

Schools; Weighted Student Formula

**Description:**

Exempts moneys for librarians from the weighted student formula.

