A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

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

| 1 | SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the scope and level | | |
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| 2 | of responsibility of the board of education, as the state | | |
| 3 | education agency with statewide policymaking authority and | | |
| 4 | oversight over the public schools and public libraries, has | | |
| 5 | grown significantly. | | |
| 6 | The legislature further finds that board of education | | |
| 7 | members are not salaried, but receive compensation at a rate of | | |
| 8 | \$100 per day for each day's actual attendance at meetings. The | | |
| 9 | compensation rate for board of education members was statutorily | | |
| 10 | established in 1966 at a rate of \$50 per day, and was | | |
| 11 | subsequently increased to \$100 per day in 1989. Compensation | | |
| 12 | for board members has not increased since then. | | |
| 13 | The purpose of this Act is to: | | |
| 14 | (1) Increase the compensation rate of the members of the | | |
| 15 | board of education for each day's actual attendance at | | |
| 16 | meetings; | | |
| 17 | (2) Allow board members to receive personal expenses at | | |
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rates specified by the board while attending board

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| 1 | | meetings or while on official business as authorized |
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| 2 | | by the board chairperson; |
| 3 | (3) | Establish a protocol allowance for board members; and |
| 4 | (4) | Appropriate funds for these purposes. |
| 5 | SECT | CION 2. Section 302A-1105, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is |
| 6 | amended t | to read as follows: |
| 7 | "§30 | 22A-1105 Compensation; expenses. Board [of education] |
| 8 | members s | shall be allowed: |
| 9 | (1) | Compensation at the rate of $[\$100]$ $\$200$ per day for |
| 10 | | each day's actual attendance at meetings; |
| 11 | (2) | Transportation fares between islands and abroad; [and] |
| 12 | (3) | Personal expenses at the rates specified by the board |
| 13 | | while attending board meetings or while on official |
| 14 | | business as authorized by the \underline{board} chairperson[, where |
| 15 | | the board meetings or official business require a |
| 16 | | board member to leave the island upon which the board |
| 17 | | member resides.]; and |
| 18 | (4) | A protocol allowance to cover expenses incurred in the |
| 19 | | course of a member's duties and responsibilities. |
| 20 | For the p | surposes of this section, "meetings" includes general |
| 21 | business | meetings, special meetings, and standing committee |
| 22 | meetings | of the board." |
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- 1 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
- 3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 to carry
- 4 out the purposes of this Act.
- 5 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the board of
- 6 education for the purposes of this Act.
- 7 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 9 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;
- 10 provided that section 3 shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

Report Title:

Board of Education; Compensation; Protocol Allowance

Description:

Increases the compensation rate of BOE members for each day's actual attendance at meetings. Allows BOE members to receive personal expenses at rates specified by the board while attending board meetings or while on official business as authorized by the board chairperson. Establishes a protocol allowance for BOE members. Appropriates funds. (HB3219 HD1)