A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 2, OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION RELATING TO EDUCATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to propose an
- 2 amendment to article X, section 2, of the Constitution of the
- 3 State of Hawaii to allow the student member of the board of
- 4 education to vote.
- 5 SECTION 2. Article X, section 2, of the Constitution of
- 6 the State of Hawaii is amended to read as follows:

7 "BOARD OF EDUCATION

- 8 Section 2. There shall be a board of education composed of
- 9 members who shall be elected in a nonpartisan manner by
- 10 qualified voters, as provided by law, from two at-large school
- 11 board districts. The first school board district shall be
- 12 comprised of the island of Oahu and all other islands not
- 13 specifically enumerated. The second school board district shall
- 14 be comprised of the islands of Hawaii, Maui, Lanai, Molokai,
- 15 Kahoolawe, Kauai and Niihau. Each at-large school board
- 16 district shall be divided into departmental school districts, as
- 17 may be provided by law. There shall be at least one member



- 1 residing in each departmental school district. The Hawaii State
- 2 Student Council shall select a public high school student to
- 3 serve as a [nonvoting] voting member on the board of education."
- 4 SECTION 3. The question to be printed on the ballot shall
- 5 be as follows:
- 6 "Shall the Constitution of the State of Hawaii be amended to
- 7 allow the student member of the board of education to vote
- 8 on all matters?"
- 9 SECTION 4. Constitutional material to be repealed is
- 10 bracketed and stricken. New constitutional material is
- 11 underscored.
- 12 SECTION 5. This amendment shall take effect upon
- 13 compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of
- 14 the State of Hawaii.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Board of Education; Student Member

Description:

Allows the student member of the board of education to vote on all matters.

