### 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 Hawaii
2	educational policy center provides objective, data-based
3	information in the form of policy briefs, reports, articles, and
4	forums bearing on public and private education policy and
5	practices at all levels. The center uses data sources such as
6	the United States Census, the National Center for Educational
7	Statistics, and the state department of education. The target
8	audiences for the center's publications and events are
9	educators, policymakers, and other education stakeholders in the
10	State. The center works closely with the dean of the University
11	of Hawaii college of education, and other stakeholders to
12	provide quality research and analysis. The center conducts,
13	sponsors, commissions, and coordinates analytical studies that
14	inform policy discussions.
15	The Hawaii educational policy center services include:
16	(1) Developing, implementing and managing research,
17	evaluation activities and programs related to



educational policy;

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1	(2)	Developing and managing symposiums and community	
2		forums to inform the public and decision makers of the	
3		research relating to policy issues;	
4	(3)	Informing policymakers of how current research	
5		conducted in Hawaii and elsewhere impacts policy	
6		through policy briefs and research reports;	
7	(4)	Preparing and providing testimony on relevant	
8		educational issues for legislative hearings; and	
9	(5)	Assisting the educational community in efforts to	
10		understand our legislative and administrative systems	
11		so as to more effectively provide timely and well	
12		informed input.	
13	The	legislature finds that the Hawaii educational policy	
14	center pr	ovides the infrastructure to allow for data-based	
15	decision-	making by Hawaii's education policy makers.	
16	The	purpose of this Act is to fund research and policy	
17	analysis	by the Hawaii educational policy center on issues of	
18	importanc	e to the University of Hawaii, the college of educatior	
19	at the Un	iversity of Hawaii, the dean of the college of	
20	education at the University of Hawaii, the board of education,		
21	the charter school commission, the legislature, and other key		
22	stakehold	ers in education.	

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1	SECTION 2. 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 2013-2014 and the
4	same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
5	2014-2015 for the Hawaii educational policy center to conduct
6	research and policy analysis for the purposes of this Act.
7	The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University
8	of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.
9	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.
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	INTRODUCED BY: Y

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#### Report Title:

Hawaii Educational Policy Center; Appropriation

#### Description:

Appropriates funds to the Hawaii educational policy center to conduct research and policy analysis on education issues.

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