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A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII
TO AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO IMPOSE A SURCHARGE
ON REAL PROPERTY TAXES TO FUND PUBLIC SCHOOL CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to propose
2 amendments to the Hawaii Constitution to authorize the board of
3 education to impose a surcharge on real property taxes to fund
4 public school capital improvement projects.

5 SECTION 2. Article VIII, section 3, of the Constitution of
6 the State of Hawaii is amended to read as follows:

7 "Section 3. The taxing power shall be reserved to the
8 State, except so much thereof as may be delegated by the
9 legislature to the political subdivisions, and except that all
10 functions, powers and duties relating to the taxation of real
11 property shall be exercised exclusively by the counties, with
12 the exception of the county of Kalawao[-]; provided that the
13 board of education shall not be prohibited from imposing a
14 surcharge on real property taxes pursuant to Section 3 of



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1 Article X. The legislature shall have the power to apportion
2 state revenues among the several political subdivisions."

3 SECTION 3. Article X, section 3, of the Constitution of
4 the State of Hawaii is amended to read as follows:

5 "Section 3. The board of education shall have the power,
6 as provided by law, to [~~formulate~~]:

7 (1) Formulate statewide educational policy and appoint the
8 superintendent of education as the chief executive
9 officer of the public school system[-]; and

10 (2) Impose a surcharge on real property taxes to fund
11 public school capital improvement projects."

12 SECTION 4. The question to be printed on the ballot shall
13 be as follows:

14 "Shall the board of education be authorized to impose a
15 surcharge on real property taxes to fund public school
16 capital improvement projects?"

17 SECTION 5. Constitutional material to be repealed is
18 bracketed and stricken. New constitutional material is
19 underscored.



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Report Title:

Constitutional Amendment; Real Property Taxes; Board of Education

Description:

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