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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH SERVICES.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Hawaii keiki:  
2 healthy and ready to learn program is designed to improve access  
3 to and increase the quality of school-based health services  
4 available to Hawaii's public school students by coordinating and  
5 expanding the existing efforts of community partners and  
6 resources. This partnership program with the University of  
7 Hawaii at Manoa school of nursing and dental hygiene supports  
8 the department of education in achieving student, school, and  
9 system success by providing school health nursing and primary  
10 care services to public schools in five complex areas.

11           In 2015, the legislature appropriated general funds to  
12 improve access to and increase the quality of health services  
13 available to Hawaii's public school students. This  
14 appropriation led to the expansion of the Hawaii keiki program,  
15 with five advanced practice registered nurses and five  
16 registered nurses serving seven complex areas across three



1 islands. During this time, the Hawaii keiki program also  
2 established five school-based health centers.

3 The department of education is working with other state  
4 agencies, partnering organizations, and families to improve  
5 attendance, behavior, and course marks by partnering to  
6 coordinate wraparound services that address non-school factors  
7 that impede student success. Furthermore, through the Hawaii  
8 keiki program collaboration, the departments of health and human  
9 services have identified the extent of services provided within  
10 each department targeted to public school children and the need  
11 to coordinate internal departmental activity and cross-  
12 departmental efforts to develop sustainable school-based health  
13 services.

14 Chronic absenteeism, poor health, and delayed or limited  
15 access to health care and preventive services continue to hinder  
16 students' academic success and schools' ability to meet the  
17 needs of the whole child. The legislature acknowledges that the  
18 Hawaii keiki program is an effective means by which to continue  
19 collaboration between health, human services, and education  
20 policymakers and providers to achieve sustainable comprehensive  
21 school-based health services in the State to improve the



1 academic and health outcomes of Hawaii's public school students.  
2 Working with each complex area superintendent and school  
3 principals, the Hawaii keiki program builds and enhances school-  
4 based health services that reflect the specific needs of the  
5 individual complex area according to student demographics,  
6 staffing, available support services, and access to health care  
7 within the community, including:

- 8 (1) Comprehensive screening for physical and behavioral  
9 health conditions;
- 10 (2) Referrals to primary and behavioral health care and  
11 patient-centered medical home services;
- 12 (3) Prevention and control of communicable diseases and  
13 other health problems; and
- 14 (4) Emergency care for illness or injury.

15 The expected cost to continue and expand the Hawaii keiki  
16 program to all fifteen department of education complex areas  
17 statewide; expand the program to allow the state public charter  
18 school commission to launch the program in two public charter  
19 schools serving disadvantaged keiki; provide access to  
20 preventive oral health services and establish a pilot oral  
21 health screening and preventative services program on a neighbor



1 island; enhance data collection, sharing, analysis, and  
2 reporting; and engage in interdepartmental school health  
3 coordination, is \$4,000,000 annually. In addition, these funds  
4 will establish school health services coordinator positions in  
5 the department of health and the MedQUEST division of the  
6 department of human services.

7 The purpose of this Act is to formally establish the Hawaii  
8 keiki: healthy and ready to learn program in statute. To ensure  
9 the program's success, this Act provides funding to expand and  
10 sustain the program and establishes school health service  
11 positions in the departments of health and human services to  
12 increase coordination and facilitate departmental and  
13 interdepartmental activities related to comprehensive school-  
14 based health services.

15 SECTION 2. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
16 amended by adding two new sections to be appropriately  
17 designated and to read as follows:

18 "§302A-A Hawaii keiki: healthy and ready to learn program.

19 (a) There is established within the department of education the  
20 Hawaii keiki: healthy and ready to learn program to provide  
21 school-based wellness and health services. The department shall



1 implement the program in collaboration with the department of  
2 health; the department of human services; other health-care  
3 educators, including the University of Hawaii at Manoa school of  
4 nursing and dental hygiene; providers; and other health-care and  
5 education stakeholders to increase access to and reimbursement  
6 for school-based wellness and health services.

7 (b) The program shall be funded through appropriations to  
8 the Hawaii keiki: healthy and ready to learn special fund  
9 established under section 302A-B. The department or the program  
10 may also seek:

11 (1) Public and private funding sources, including federal  
12 grants and assistance from private nonprofit and for-  
13 profit organizations to support the continuation and  
14 expansion of school-based health services in the  
15 department; and

16 (2) Federal reimbursement for school-based wellness and  
17 health services.

18 **§302A-B Hawaii keiki: healthy and ready to learn special**  
19 **fund.** (a) There is established within the state treasury the  
20 Hawaii keiki: healthy and ready to learn special fund, to be



1 administered by the department of education and into which shall  
2 be deposited:

- 3       (1) Appropriations made by the legislature to the fund;
- 4       (2) Federal or state grant funds;
- 5       (3) Grants and other funds from private nonprofit and for-  
6       profit organizations;
- 7       (4) Federal reimbursements;
- 8       (5) Any interest that accrues upon the balance in the  
9       fund; and
- 10      (6) Any other moneys designated for the fund.

11      (b) Moneys in the special fund shall be expended to  
12 implement the objectives of the Hawaii keiki: healthy and ready  
13 to learn program and to support program activities."

14           SECTION 3. Section 36-27, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
15 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

16           "(a) Except as provided in this section, and  
17 notwithstanding any other law to the contrary, from time to  
18 time, the director of finance, for the purpose of defraying the  
19 prorated estimate of central service expenses of government in  
20 relation to all special funds, except the:



- 1 (1) Special out-of-school time instructional program fund
- 2 under section 302A-1310;
- 3 (2) School cafeteria special funds of the department of
- 4 education;
- 5 (3) Special funds of the University of Hawaii;
- 6 (4) State educational facilities improvement special fund;
- 7 (5) Convention center enterprise special fund under
- 8 section 201B-8;
- 9 (6) Special funds established by section 206E-6;
- 10 (7) Aloha Tower fund created by section 206J-17;
- 11 (8) Funds of the employees' retirement system created by
- 12 section 88-109;
- 13 (9) Hawaii hurricane relief fund established under chapter
- 14 431P;
- 15 (10) Hawaii health systems corporation special funds and
- 16 the subaccounts of its regional system boards;
- 17 (11) Tourism special fund established under section
- 18 201B-11;
- 19 (12) Universal service fund established under section
- 20 269-42;



- 1 (13) Emergency and budget reserve fund under section
- 2 328L-3;
- 3 (14) Public schools special fees and charges fund under
- 4 section 302A-1130;
- 5 (15) Sport fish special fund under section 187A-9.5;
- 6 [+](16) [+](16) Neurotrauma special fund under section 321H-4;
- 7 [+](17) [+](17) Glass advance disposal fee established by section
- 8 342G-82;
- 9 [+](18) [+](18) Center for nursing special fund under section
- 10 304A-2163;
- 11 [+](19) [+](19) Passenger facility charge special fund established by
- 12 section 261-5.5;
- 13 [+](20) [+](20) Solicitation of funds for charitable purposes special
- 14 fund established by section 467B-15;
- 15 [+](21) [+](21) Land conservation fund established by section 173A-5;
- 16 [+](22) [+](22) Court interpreting services revolving fund under
- 17 section 607-1.5;
- 18 [+](23) [+](23) Trauma system special fund under section 321-22.5;
- 19 [+](24) [+](24) Hawaii cancer research special fund;
- 20 [+](25) [+](25) Community health centers special fund;
- 21 [+](26) [+](26) Emergency medical services special fund;



- 1    [+](27) [+] Rental motor vehicle customer facility charge special  
2                    fund established under section 261-5.6;
- 3    [+](28) [+] Shared services technology special fund under section  
4                    27-43;
- 5    [+](29) [+] Automated victim information and notification system  
6                    special fund established under section 353-136;
- 7    [+](30) [+] Deposit beverage container deposit special fund under  
8                    section 342G-104;
- 9    [+](31) [+] Hospital sustainability program special fund under Act  
10                   217, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, as amended;
- 11   [+](32) [+] Nursing facility sustainability program special fund  
12                   under Act 156, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012 [+] as  
13                   amended;
- 14   [+](33) [+] Hawaii 3R's school improvement fund under section  
15                   302A-1502.4;
- 16   [+](34) [+] After-school plus program revolving fund under section  
17                   302A-1149.5; [and
- 18   [+](35) [+] Civil monetary penalty special fund under section  
19                   321-30.2 [+] ; and
- 20        (36) Hawaii keiki: healthy and ready to learn special fund  
21        under section 302A-B,



1 shall deduct five per cent of all receipts of all other special  
2 funds, which deduction shall be transferred to the general fund  
3 of the State and become general realizations of the State. All  
4 officers of the State and other persons having power to allocate  
5 or disburse any special funds shall cooperate with the director  
6 in effecting these transfers. To determine the proper revenue  
7 base upon which the central service assessment is to be  
8 calculated, the director shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter  
9 91 for the purpose of suspending or limiting the application of  
10 the central service assessment of any fund. No later than  
11 twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session of  
12 the legislature, the director shall report all central service  
13 assessments made during the preceding fiscal year."

14 SECTION 4. Section 302A-853, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
15 amended to read as follows:

16 "**§302A-853 Administration of medication.** School health  
17 aides may assist students by administering oral and topical  
18 medication, and in emergency situations, other premeasured  
19 medication; provided that:



- 1 (1) If the student receiving the medication is a minor, a
- 2 parent or guardian requests and authorizes the
- 3 administration of medication;
- 4 (2) The medication has been prescribed by a licensed
- 5 physician[7] as defined in section 334-1, a licensed
- 6 advanced practice registered nurse as defined in
- 7 section 457-2.7, or by a practitioner with
- 8 prescriptive authority;
- 9 (3) The administration of the medication is with the
- 10 approval of the department of health[7] or the Hawaii
- 11 keiki: healthy and ready to learn program established
- 12 under section 302A-A; and
- 13 (4) The administration of the medication is necessary for
- 14 the health of the student and for the student's
- 15 attendance at school."

16 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general  
 17 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much  
 18 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the  
 19 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
 20 2018-2019 for one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) school health  
 21 services coordinator position within the department of health.



1           The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
2 of health for the purposes of this Act.

3           SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the general  
4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$           or so much  
5 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the  
6 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
7 2018-2019 for one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) school health  
8 services coordinator position within the department of human  
9 services.

10          The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
11 of human services for the purposes of this Act.

12          SECTION 7. There is appropriated out of the general  
13 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$           or so much  
14 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the  
15 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
16 2018-2019 to be deposited into the Hawaii keiki: healthy and  
17 ready to learn special fund.

18          SECTION 8. There is appropriated out of the Hawaii keiki:  
19 healthy and ready to learn special fund the sum of \$           or  
20 so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018  
21 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for



1 fiscal year 2018-2019 to implement, expand, and sustain the  
2 Hawaii keiki: healthy and ready to learn program.

3 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
4 of education for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 9. There is appropriated out of the Hawaii keiki:  
6 healthy and ready to learn special fund the sum of \$ or  
7 so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018  
8 for a one-time allocation for an evidence-based vision screening  
9 and eye assessment tool appropriate for children in kindergarten  
10 through grade twelve.

11 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of  
12 education for the purposes of this Act.

13 SECTION 10. In codifying the new sections added by section  
14 2 of this Act, the revisor of statutes shall substitute  
15 appropriate section numbers for the letters used in designating  
16 the new sections in this Act.

17 SECTION 11. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

19 SECTION 12. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2090.



**Report Title:**

Hawaii Keiki: Healthy and Ready to Learn Program; Department of Education; Department of Health; Department of Human Services; Special Fund; Appropriation

**Description:**

Formally establishes the Hawaii Keiki: Healthy and Ready to Learn Program within the Department of Education. Establishes a dedicated special fund and positions within the Departments of Health and Human Services to support the program. Makes appropriations. (HB672 HD2)

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