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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE PRESCHOOL OPEN DOORS PROGRAM.

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

SECTION 1. Section 346-181, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 1 2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows: 3 Subject to the availability of funds, the program shall serve four-year-old children, with priority extended to [+ 4 (1) Children who are not eligible to attend public school 5 kindergarten in the calendar year in which they turn 6 7 five years of age because their birth date occurs after the kindergarten eligibility date pursuant to 8 9 section 302A 411; and 10 (2) Underserved underserved or at-risk children[-], as 11 defined in section 302L-1." 12 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 14 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. 15

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### Report Title:

Preschool Open Doors Program; At-risk Children; Underserved Children

### Description:

Repeals the priority given by the preschool open doors program to children who are not eligible to attend public school kindergarten in the calendar year in which they turn five years of age because their birth date occurs after the kindergarten eligibility date.

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