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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII TO  
AUTHORIZE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO TAX REAL PROPERTY.

**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 article VIII, section 3, and article X, section 3  
3 of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii to authorize the  
4 board of education to tax real property for the purpose of  
5 supplementing the funding of public education in the State.

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

8                               **"TAXATION AND FINANCE**

9       Section 3. The taxing power shall be reserved to the  
10 State, except so much thereof as may be delegated by the  
11 legislature to the political subdivisions, and except that all  
12 functions, powers and duties relating to the taxation of real  
13 property shall be exercised exclusively by the board of  
14 education and the counties, with the exception of the county of  
15 Kalawao. The legislature shall have the power to apportion  
16 state revenues among the several political subdivisions."



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

3 "POWER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

4 Section 3. The board of education shall have the power, as  
5 provided by law, to formulate statewide educational policy  
6 ~~[and]~~, appoint the superintendent of education as the chief  
7 executive officer of the public school system~~[-]~~ and tax real  
8 property for the purpose of supplementing the funding of public  
9 education."

10 SECTION 4. The question to be printed on the ballot shall  
11 be as follows:

12 "Shall the board of education have the authority to tax  
13 real property for the purpose of supplementing the funding of  
14 public education in the State?"

15 SECTION 5. New constitutional material is underscored.

16 SECTION 6. This amendment shall take effect upon  
17 compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of  
18 the State of Hawaii.

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# H.B. NO. 2480

**Report Title:**

BOE; Real Property Taxes; Constitutional Amendment

**Description:**

Authorizes the Board of Education to tax real property for the purpose of supplementing public education funding.

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