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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

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

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**PART I**

SECTION 1. Section 302A-1106.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes,  
is amended to read as follows:

"§302A-1106.5 Board of education; community meetings.

~~[The board shall hold not less than one community meeting  
annually in each county in]~~ In addition to their regular  
meetings, the board shall hold no less than six community  
meetings annually to discuss and receive input from the  
community on public education and public library issues[-];  
provided that the board shall hold at least one community  
meeting in each county. The board chairperson shall designate  
board members to attend the community meetings. These community  
meetings shall not be held for the purpose of formulating  
educational policy. The community meetings shall be exempt from  
sections 92-2.5, 92-7, 92-9, and 92-41; provided that the board  
shall give written public notice of each community meeting. The  
meeting notice shall indicate the date, time, and place of the



1 meeting, and shall be filed in the office of the lieutenant  
2 governor and in the board's office for public inspection six  
3 calendar days before the meeting. The notice shall also be  
4 posted at the site of the meeting."

5 **PART II**

6 SECTION 2. At any public meeting properly noticed pursuant  
7 to chapter 92, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the board of education  
8 shall include an open forum at the end of its meeting agenda to  
9 afford all interested persons an opportunity to present oral  
10 testimony on any matter not on the agenda; provided that the  
11 testimony is related to matters over which the board of  
12 education has supervision, control, jurisdiction, or advisory  
13 power.

14 SECTION 3. The board of education shall report to the  
15 legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
16 the regular session of 2020 on its efforts to amend its polices  
17 to include an open forum at the end of its meeting agenda to  
18 afford all interested persons an opportunity to present oral  
19 testimony on any matter not on the agenda.





**Report Title:**

Board of Education; Public Meetings; Oral Testimony; Community Meetings

**Description:**

Requires the Board of Education to hold no less than six community meetings each year, with at least one meeting in each county. Requires the Board to include an open forum for public comments on non-agenda items at the end of each public meeting through June 30, 2024. Requires a report to the Legislature on implementing open forums. (HB411 HD1)

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