A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CONSERVATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by 2 adding a new chapter to title 12, subtitle 6, to be 3 appropriately designated and to read as follows: 4 "CHAPTER 5 NO CHILD LEFT INSIDE GRANT PROGRAM 6 S -1 Definitions. As used in this chapter: 7 "Chairperson" means chairperson of the board of land and 8 natural resources. 9 "Department" means the department of land and natural 10 resources.
- 11 § -2 No child left inside grant program; established.
- 12 (a) There is established within the department the no child
- left inside grant program. The no child left inside grant 13
- 14 program shall be an outdoor education and recreation grant
- 15 program subject to the availability and appropriation of funds.
- 16 (b) The department shall implement the no child left
- 17 inside grant program to provide resources and support to public



- 1 agencies, private organizations, and individuals in establishing
- 2 and maintaining outdoor education and recreation programs for
- 3 children. Eligible applicants to the no child left inside grant
- 4 program shall include both existing and new programs that
- 5 provide outdoor education and recreation programs for children
- 6 in the State. Any participating school program shall be fully
- 7 aligned with the academic learning requirements for science in
- 8 the State.
- 9 (c) The no child left inside grant program shall be phased
- 10 in beginning with schools and students having the greatest needs
- 11 in suburban, rural, and urban areas in the State. Any grant
- 12 awarded shall be for outdoor education and recreation programs
- 13 that focus on students who:
- 14 (1) Qualify for free or reduced-price lunch;
- 15 (2) Are most likely to fail academically; or
- 16 (3) Have the greatest potential to drop out of school.
- 17 § -3 No child left inside grant program; priorities and
- 18 award criteria. (a) The chairperson shall set priorities and
- 19 develop criteria for the awarding of grants to outdoor education
- 20 and recreation programs. Consideration shall be given to any
- 21 programs that include one or more of the following:

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1	(1)	Contribution	to	the	reduction	of	academic	failure	and
2		drop out rate	es;						

- (2) Utilization of nationally accredited environmental
 education curriculum;
- 5 (3) Outdoor recreation and sound nutrition programming to6 contribute to healthy lifestyles;
- 7 (4) Use of a state park as a venue or the department's personnel as a resource;
- 9 (5) Maximizing the number of participants that can be served;
- 11 (6) Commitment to matching or in-kind resources; and
- 12 (7) Creation of public-private partnerships.
- (b) Any public agency in the State may develop andimplement outdoor education and recreation programs.
- (c) The chairperson may award grants to outdoor education
 and recreation programs established by any public agency. The
 chairperson may contract with any public or private agency or
 person to develop and implement outdoor education and recreation
 programs.
- 20 § -4 No child left inside grant program; advisory
 21 committee. (a) The chairperson shall create an advisory

- 1 committee to assist and advise the department in the development
- 2 and administration of the no child left inside grant program.
- 3 In addition to the chairperson, who shall serve as chair, the
- 4 advisory committee shall comprise the:
- 5 (1) Superintendent of education or the superintendent's6 designee;
- 7 (2) Administrator of the department's division of forestry 8 and wildlife;
- 9 (3) Respective county department heads having jurisdiction 10 over county parks and recreation resources;
- (4) Members of the business community invited toparticipate by the chairperson;
- 13 (5) Representatives of outdoor organizations having a
 14 focus on education invited to participate by the
 15 chairperson; and
- 16 (6) Any other representative deemed necessary to ensure 17 representation of a cross-section of stakeholders, as 18 invited to participate by the chairperson;
- 19 provided that the advisory committee shall include at least one
 20 member from each county.

- 1 (b) Advisory committee members shall serve without
- 2 compensation but shall be reimbursed for reasonable expenses,
- 3 including travel expenses, necessary for the performance of
- 4 their duties.
- 5 S -5 No child left inside grant program special fund.
- 6 (a) There is established within the treasury of the State the
- 7 no child left inside grant program special fund, to be
- 8 administered by the department. The following moneys shall be
- 9 deposited into the no child left inside grant program special
- 10 fund:
- 11 (1) Appropriations by the legislature to the special fund;
- 12 (2) Gifts, donations, and grants received by the no child
- left inside grant program; and
- 14 (3) Moneys directed to the department for purposes of the
- no child left inside grant program from any other
- source, including revenues generated pursuant to the
- 17 administration of this chapter.
- 18 All interest earned or accrued on moneys deposited into the no
- 19 child left inside grant program special fund shall become part
- 20 of the fund.

- 1 (b) Moneys in the no child left inside grant program
- 2 special fund shall be used for the following purposes:
- 3 (1) Awarding of grants and contracts pursuant to this
- 4 chapter; and
- 5 (2) Administration of the no child left inside grant
- 6 program pursuant to this chapter."
- 7 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 8 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 9 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 to be
- 10 deposited into the no child left inside grant program special
- 11 fund.
- 12 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the no child left
- inside grant program special fund the sum of \$ or so
- 14 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2020-2021 for
- 15 the administration and awarding of grants and contracts pursuant
- 16 to the no child left inside grant program.
- 17 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 18 land and natural resources for the purposes of this Act.
- 19 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.

Report Title:

Department of Land and Natural Resources; No Child Left Inside Program; Appropriations

Description:

Establishes the no child left inside grant program for the awarding of grants promoting outdoor education and recreation programs. Establishes the no child left inside grant program special fund. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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