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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:

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the board of
- 2 education consists of nine members, none of whom are required to
- 3 be public school teachers.
- 4 The legislature further finds that the board of education
- 5 will benefit from the appointment of a current public school
- 6 teacher, as a nonvoting member, to provide first-hand experience
- 7 and expertise on the educational climate in Hawaii's public
- 8 schools and explain the resources teachers need to help Hawaii's
- 9 students. An appointed public school teacher on the board will
- 10 provide insight into current and proposed educational practices
- 11 and policies and the effects of those practices and policies on
- 12 teachers, students, and the community.
- The purpose of this Act is to amend the board of
- 14 education's membership by inviting the exclusive representative
- 15 for bargaining unit (5) to appoint a nonvoting public school
- 16 teacher representative to the board.

- 1 SECTION 2. Section 302A-121, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended to read as follows:
- 3 "[+]§302A-121[+] Board of education; members; student
- 4 [and], military, and teacher representatives. (a) The board
- 5 shall consist of nine voting members as follows:
- 6 (1) One member from the county of Hawaii;
- 7 (2) One member from the county of Maui;
- 8 (3) One member from the county of Kauai;
- 9 (4) Three members from the city and county of Honolulu;
- 10 and
- 11 (5) Three at-large members; provided that the governor
- shall select an at-large member as the chairperson.
- 13 The members shall be appointed by the governor, with the advice
- 14 and consent of the senate. The governor may remove or suspend
- 15 for cause any member of the board.
- 16 (b) Pursuant to article XVIII, section 12, of the Hawaii
- 17 State Constitution, the period of transition from the elected to
- 18 the appointed board shall be as determined in section 21 of Act
- 19 5, Session Laws of Hawaii 2011.
- 20 (c) The members of the board shall serve without pay but
- 21 shall be entitled to reimbursement for necessary expenses,

- 1 including travel and board and lodging expenses, while attending
- 2 meetings of the board or when actually engaged in business
- 3 relating to the work of the board.
- 4 (d) Pursuant to section 302A-447, the state student
- 5 council shall select a nonvoting public high school student
- 6 representative to the board.
- 7 (e) Pursuant to section 302A-1101(c), the board shall
- 8 invite the senior military commander in Hawaii to appoint a
- 9 nonvoting military representative to the board.
- 10 (f) The board shall invite the exclusive representative
- 11 for bargaining unit (5) to appoint a nonvoting public school
- 12 teacher representative to the board."
- 13 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 14 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 15 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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### Report Title:

Board of Education; Membership; Public School Teacher Representative

### Description:

Amends the board of education's membership by inviting the exclusive representative for bargaining unit (5) to appoint a nonvoting public school teacher representative to the board.

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