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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:

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.

20 **PART III**

S.B. NO. 299

1 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

3 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019;
4 provided that section 2 shall be repealed on June 30, 2024.
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S.B. NO. 299

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; provided that at least one meeting shall be held in each county. Requires the board of education to allow public testimony on items not on a public meeting agenda if certain requirements are met. Repeals the public testimony requirement on June 30, 2024. Requires the board of education to report to the legislature.

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