
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO A SCHOOL SUPPLY SUBSIDY PILOT PROGRAM.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Title I, Part A, of
2 the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by the
3 Every Student Succeeds Act (Title I), provides federal financial
4 assistance to local educational agencies and schools with high
5 percentages of children from low-income families to help ensure
6 educational success.

7 The legislature further finds that a pilot program to
8 subsidize school supplies for schools composed entirely of
9 students eligible for participation in Title I, such as Naalehu
10 elementary school, would be useful to identify methods for
11 relieving the financial burden of education on low-income
12 families. Many students who attend Naalehu elementary school
13 live in rural areas across Kau and experience geographical
14 challenges, such as limited opportunities and isolation from
15 educational resources.

16 The legislature additionally finds that, as an exemplar,
17 based on the school supplies list for the 2021-2022 school year
18 at Naalehu elementary school and the average cost of school



1 supplies at local stores, the cost for school supplies by grade
2 are as follows: grade one, \$4,451.58; grade two, \$1,605.86;
3 grade three, \$3,646.08; grade four, \$5,186.94; grade five,
4 \$4,913.63; and grade six, \$3,969.

5 The purpose of this Act is to establish and make an
6 appropriation for a one-year school supply subsidy pilot program
7 at all schools composed entirely of students eligible for
8 participation in Title I, including but not limited to Naalehu
9 elementary school.

10 SECTION 2. (a) Beginning with the 2022-2023 school year,
11 the department of education shall establish and implement a one-
12 year school supply subsidy pilot program at all schools composed
13 entirely of students eligible for participation in Title I, Part
14 A, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by
15 the Every Student Succeeds Act, including but not limited to
16 Naalehu elementary school.

17 (b) The department of education shall submit a report of
18 its findings and recommendations regarding the school supply
19 subsidy pilot program, including any proposed legislation, to
20 the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening
21 of the regular session of 2024.



1 SECTION 3. Department of education expenditures of less
2 than \$100,000, including those made pursuant to this Act, shall
3 not be subject to section 103D-305(c), Hawaii Revised Statutes,
4 and shall be subject to the rules governing procurements of less
5 than \$25,000; provided that department of education expenditures
6 of \$15,000 to less than \$100,000, including those made pursuant
7 to this Act, shall be subject to the requirements of section 3-
8 122-75(a)(2), Hawaii Administrative Rules, and shall be treated
9 thereunder as expenditures of \$15,000 to less than \$25,000,
10 notwithstanding any law to the contrary.

11 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
12 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$806,800 or so much
13 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 to
14 establish and implement a one-year school supply subsidy pilot
15 program at all schools composed entirely of students eligible
16 for participation in Title I, Part A, of the Elementary and
17 Secondary Education Act, as amended by the Every Student
18 Succeeds Act, including but not limited to Naalehu elementary
19 school.

20 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
21 education for the purposes of this Act.



1 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022, and
2 shall be repealed on January 1, 2024.



Report Title:

Department of Education; Pilot Program; School Supplies; Naalehu Elementary School; Appropriation

Description:

Establishes a one-year school supply subsidy pilot program at all schools composed entirely of students eligible for participation in Title I, Part A, of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act, as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act. Appropriates funds. Repeals on 1/1/2024. (CD1)

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