
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SUMMER ELECTRONIC BENEFITS TRANSFER FOR CHILDREN PROGRAM.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to part II, subpart C, to be
3 appropriately designated and to read as follows:

4 "§302A- Summer electronic benefits transfer for
5 children program. The department shall:

6 (1) Work with the department of human services to maximize
7 participation in the federal summer electronic
8 benefits transfer for children program established
9 pursuant to the federal Consolidated Appropriations
10 Act, 2023, P.L. 117-328;

11 (2) Share all data determined by the departments to be
12 necessary to adhere to the requirements of title 42
13 United States Code section 1762 and section 346- ;
14 and

15 (3) Follow the federal guidelines and regulations
16 established pursuant to title IV, division HH, section



1 502 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023, P.L.
2 117-328, to maximize flexibility to distribute summer
3 meals through non-congregate distribution."

4 SECTION 2. Chapter 346, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
5 amended by adding a new section to part II to be appropriately
6 designated and to read as follows:

7 "§346- **Summer electronic benefits transfer for children**
8 **program.** (a) Subject to the availability of funds, the
9 department may implement the federal summer electronic benefits
10 transfer for children program. To implement the program, the
11 department shall work with the department of education to
12 maximize participation in the federal summer electronic benefits
13 transfer for children program established pursuant to the
14 federal Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023, P.L. 117-328.

15 (b) To the extent that appropriations or private funds are
16 made available, the department may contract with one or more
17 providers to administer the summer electronic benefits transfer
18 for children program. Any contract executed pursuant to this
19 section shall comply with the competitive procurement processes
20 under chapters 103D and 103F.



1 (c) The department may accept grants, donations, and
2 contributions from private or public sources for the purposes of
3 this section, which may be expended consistent with the
4 grantors' or donors' wishes."

5 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
6 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
7 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 for
8 the summer electronic benefits transfer for children program,
9 including:

- 10 (1) The establishment of permanent full-time
11 equivalent (FTE) program specialist position
12 SR-24; and
- 13 (2) The hiring of staff, system modifications, and
14 operating expenses.

15 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
16 education for the purposes of this Act; provided that no funds
17 shall be expended unless matched by federal funds on a
18 dollar-for-dollar basis.

19 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
20 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
21 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 for



1 the summer electronic benefits transfer for children program,
2 including:

- 3 (1) The establishment of permanent full-time
- 4 equivalent (FTE) program specialist position
- 5 SR-24; and
- 6 (2) The hiring of staff, system modifications, and
- 7 operating expenses.

8 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
9 human services for the purposes of this Act; provided that no
10 funds shall be expended unless matched by federal funds on a
11 dollar-for-dollar basis.

12 SECTION 5. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of
13 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,
14 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the
15 appropriations contained in H.B. No. , will cause the state
16 general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be
17 exceeded by \$ or per cent. In addition, the
18 appropriation contained in this Act will cause the general fund
19 expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be further
20 exceeded by \$ or per cent. The combined total
21 amount of general fund appropriations contained in only these



1 two Acts will cause the state general fund expenditure ceiling
2 for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be exceeded by
3 \$ or per cent. The reasons for exceeding the
4 general fund expenditure ceiling are that:

- 5 (1) The appropriation made in this Act is necessary to
6 serve the public interest; and
- 7 (2) The appropriation made in this Act meets the needs
8 addressed by this Act.

9 SECTION 6. New statutory material is underscored.

10 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



Report Title:

Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer for Children Program;
Department of Human Services; Department of Education;
Appropriation; General Fund Expenditure Ceiling Exceeded

Description:

Establishes the Summer Electronic Benefits Transfer for Children Program. Appropriates moneys. Declares that the appropriation exceeds the state general fund expenditure ceiling for 2024-2025. Effective 7/1/3000. (SD1)

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