

## GOV. MSG. NO. 1256

#### EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR KE KIA'ĀINA

July 1, 2024

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate, and Members of the Senate Thirty-Second State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 The Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on July 1, 2024, the following bill was signed into law:

HB2430 HD2 SD1 CD1

RELATING TO SUMMER ELECTRONIC BENEFITS TRANSFER FOR CHILDREN PROGRAM. **ACT 155** 

Sincerely,

Josh Green, M.D.

Governor, State of Hawai'i

on JUL 1 2024

ACT 155

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2024 STATE OF HAWAII H.B. NO. H.D. 2 S.D. 1 C.D. 1

# 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.
19	(c) The department may accept grants, donations, and
20	contributions from private or public sources for the purposes of

- 1 this section, which may be expended consistent with the
- grantors' or donors' wishes."
- 3 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$53,500 or so much
- 5 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 for the
- 6 summer electronic benefits transfer for children program,
- 7 including:
- **8** (1) The establishment of one permanent full-time
- 9 equivalent (1.0 FTE) program specialist position
- 10 SR-24; and
- 11 (2) The hiring of staff, system modifications, and
- 12 operating expenses.
- 13 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
- 14 education for the purposes of this Act; provided that no funds
- 15 shall be expended unless matched by federal funds on a
- 16 dollar-for-dollar basis.
- 17 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
- 18 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$2,050,000 or so much
- 19 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 for the
- 20 summer electronic benefits transfer for children program,
- 21 including:

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1	(1)	The establishment of one permanent full-time	
2		equivalent (1.0 FTE) program specialist position	
3		SR-24; and	
4	(2)	The hiring of staff, system modifications, and	
5	,	operating expenses.	
6	The	sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of	
7	human services for the purposes of this Act; provided that no		
8	funds shall be expended unless matched by federal funds on a		
9	dollar-for-dollar basis.		
10	SECTION 5. New statutory material is underscored.		
11	SECT	ION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;	
12	provided that sections 3 and 4 shall take effect on July 1,		
13	2024.		

APPROVED this 1st day of July , 2024

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

### THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: May 1, 2024 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2024.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

Brian L. Takeshita

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Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

## THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

Date: May 1, 2024

Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2024.

President of the Senate

Clerk of the Senate