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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS.

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

1           SECTION 1. This Act is recommended by the governor for  
2 immediate passage in accordance with section 9 of article VII of  
3 the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.

4           SECTION 2. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of  
5 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,  
6 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the  
7 general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2023-2024 has  
8 already been exceeded by \$                    or            per cent. The  
9 appropriations contained in this Act will cause the state  
10 general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2023-2024 to be  
11 further exceeded by \$                    or            per cent. This  
12 declaration takes into account the additional general fund  
13 appropriation authorized for fiscal year 2023-2024 in this Act  
14 only. The reasons for exceeding the general fund expenditure  
15 ceiling are that:



1 (1) The appropriations made in this Act are necessary to  
2 serve the public interest; and

3 (2) The appropriations made in this Act meet the needs  
4 addressed by this Act.

5 SECTION 3. The legislature finds that the department of  
6 education is required to provide proportional funding to charter  
7 schools based on their student enrollment. Even though the  
8 overall enrollment for the department of education has gone up  
9 for the 2023-2024 school year, the growth rate for public  
10 charter schools has grown even faster at four per cent higher  
11 than projected. One factor that explains the sudden increased  
12 public charter school enrollment is the growing need for  
13 temporary school options in Lahaina as a result of the  
14 destruction incurred by the devastating wildfires. As a result  
15 of the increased charter school enrollment, the amount of  
16 funding for charter schools is less than what is required.

17 The purpose of this Act is to make an emergency  
18 appropriation to provide funds for the department of education  
19 to cover its funding requirements for charter schools.

20 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general  
21 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so



1 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 for  
2 the department of education to provide funding for charter  
3 schools.

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

6 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 3000.



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**Report Title:**

Emergency Appropriation; DOE; Charter Schools; Expenditure Ceiling

**Description:**

Makes an emergency appropriation to the Department of Education for charter schools. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

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