A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that education is the
- 2 gateway to opportunity. Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
- 3 wrote on the purpose of education, "The function of education is
- 4 to teach one to think intensively and to think critically.
- 5 Intelligence plus character that is the true goal of
- 6 education". Education enables Hawaii's children to develop
- 7 skills essential for life, learn social norms, develop judgment
- 8 and reasoning, and discern right from wrong. The legislature
- 9 recognizes that, due to the importance of education, it is
- 10 incumbent upon current generations to adequately fund the
- 11 department of education to continue and fulfill its commitment
- 12 to developing the academic achievement, character, and social-
- 13 emotional wellbeing of Hawaii's students to their full
- 14 potential.
- 15 The legislature further finds that the proposed budget
- 16 request will be used to maintain the operations of the public
- 17 school system, promote health and safety, and advance the

- 1 educational services provided by the department of education to
- 2 address the academic, social, emotional, behavioral, and
- 3 physical needs of Hawaii's students. To achieve this goal, the
- 4 department of education has identified high-leverage initiatives
- 5 that will accelerate and move the department of education
- 6 forward into the future and provide the best support for
- 7 students. These strategies include: supporting vulnerable
- 8 populations; ensuring students are workforce ready;
- 9 strengthening secondary math supports; providing leadership
- 10 development opportunities; aligning kindergarten to high school
- 11 curriculum; supporting middle-level education; and bolstering
- 12 teacher recruitment.
- 13 Therefore, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds
- 14 to the department of education to support wide-ranging
- 15 initiatives for student success.
- 16 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 17 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
- 18 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and
- 19 the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
- 20 year 2024-2025 which shall be expended as follows:
- **21** (1) Fiscal year 2023-2024:

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(A) $ for EDN 100 School-Based Budgeting;
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                            for EDN 150 Special Education and
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                  Student Support Services;
             (C) $
                       for EDN 200 Instructional Support;
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             (D) $ for EDN 300 State Administration; and
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             (E)
                           for EDN 400 School Support.
        (2) Fiscal year 2024-2025:
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             (D) $ for EDN 300 State Administration; and
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        The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
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   of education for the purposes of this Act.
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        SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.
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S.B. NO. 692 S.D. 1

Report Title:

Department of Education; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds to the Department of Education to support wide-ranging initiatives for student success. (SD1)

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