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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO LIBRARIES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 312, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to part I to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 "§312- Library materials; review; duplicative or
5 substantially similar requests. In any policy or procedure
6 established by the board of education or Hawaii state public
7 library system to allow persons to request review of items
8 within the system's collection to determine if those items are
9 consistent with the system's collection development policy, the
10 state librarian may decline to conduct a review if:

11 (1) A person requests review of an item that was
12 previously reviewed by the system in good faith;

13 (2) The basis for the current request is duplicative or
14 substantially similar to the basis of the prior
15 review;



1 (3) The response to the prior review was issued within one
2 calendar year of the date on which current request was
3 received; and

4 (4) The state librarian determines, in the state
5 librarian's sole discretion, that the library's
6 response to the current request is unlikely to differ
7 from the response issued for the prior request."

8 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY: 



S.B. NO. 806

Report Title:

Board of Education; HSPLS; Review of Materials; Collection Development; Duplicative or Substantially Similar Requests

Description:

Authorizes the state librarian to decline to conduct a requested review of an item within the Hawaii State Public Library System collection if the item was previously reviewed by the system in good faith, the basis for the request is duplicative or substantially similar to the basis for the prior review, the response to the prior review was issued within the last year, and the state librarian determines that it is unlikely that the library's response would differ from response issued for the prior request.

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