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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that teachers understand  
2 their students' needs and tailor their classrooms to create an  
3 engaging and effective learning experience. Nationwide,  
4 teachers spend an average of \$500 out of pocket on their  
5 classrooms each year. To alleviate the financial burden on  
6 teachers, the department of education is committed to providing  
7 funding for teacher-requested classroom supplies. The  
8 department of education also intends to engage in public-private  
9 partnerships focused on leveraging existing financial resources  
10 from both sectors, to provide teachers and students with  
11 project-based resources.

12           The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to the  
13 department of education for teacher-requested classroom  
14 supplies.

15           SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
16 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$3,000,000 or so much  
17 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and the



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1 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
2 2026-2027 for teacher-requested classroom supplies.

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

5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

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**Report Title:**

Department of Education; Education Supplies; Appropriation

**Description:**

Appropriates funds to the Department of Education for teacher-requested classroom supplies.

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