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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. Act 135, Session Laws of Hawaii 2025, is  
2 amended by amending sections 2 and 3 to read as follows:

3 "SECTION 2. (a) There is established within the  
4 department of education a [two-year] five-year pilot program for  
5 two full-time equivalent (2.0 FTE) certified librarians to  
6 provide rotating support services to one school complex on Oahu  
7 and one school complex on a neighbor island. The department of  
8 education shall determine which school complexes shall be part  
9 of the pilot program[.]; provided that if an appropriate school  
10 complex on a neighbor island cannot be identified, the  
11 department shall identify an additional school complex on the  
12 island of Oahu to be part of the pilot program.

13 (b) The department of education shall submit a report to  
14 the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening  
15 of the regular sessions of 2026 [and], 2027[.], 2028, 2029, and  
16 2030. Each report shall include findings and recommendations,  
17 including any proposed legislation, about the pilot project



1 established pursuant to subsection (a). The report submitted  
2 prior to the convening of the regular session of [2027] 2030  
3 shall make a recommendation as to whether the pilot project  
4 should be extended.

5 (c) The pilot program shall cease to exist on June 30,  
6 [2027.] 2030.

7 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general  
8 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$132,308 or so much  
9 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and the  
10 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
11 2026-2027 for the establishment of two full-time equivalent (2.0  
12 FTE) twelve-month state office-level teacher positions under the  
13 department of education for the pilot program established  
14 pursuant to section 2 of this Act; provided that the funds  
15 appropriated shall be allocated as follows:

16 (1) \$66,154 for one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE)  
17 twelve-month state office-level teacher position, to  
18 be filled by a certified librarian, for a school  
19 complex on Oahu; and  
20 (2) \$66,154 for one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE)  
21 twelve-month state office-level teacher position, to



1                   be filled by a certified librarian, for a school  
2                   complex on a neighbor island[–] or, if no appropriate  
3                   school complex on a neighbor island can be identified,  
4                   a school complex on Oahu.

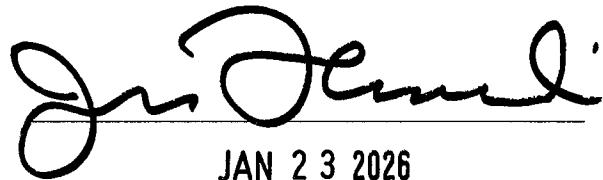
5                   The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department  
6                   of education for the purposes of this Act."

7                   SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
8                   and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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INTRODUCED BY:

  
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# H.B. NO. 2004

**Report Title:**

Department of Education; Librarian Pilot Program; Education; Appropriation

**Description:**

Extends the Librarian Pilot Program established by Act 135, Session Laws of Hawaii 2025, through 2030. Authorizes the Department of Education to select a second school complex on Oahu to be part of the pilot program if no appropriate school complex on the neighbor islands can be identified.

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