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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO UNIVERSAL SCHOOL MEALS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to part II, subpart C, to be
3 appropriately designated and to read as follows:

4 **"§302A- Universal school meals special fund;**
5 established. There is established within the state treasury a
6 special fund to be known as the universal school meals special
7 fund, into which shall be deposited all medicaid reimbursements
8 received by the department, and any other moneys received by the
9 department in the form of grants and donations for universal
10 school meals. The special fund shall be administered by the
11 department and used to fund universal school meals."

12 SECTION 2. Section 302A-405, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
14 "(b) All moneys received by or for the public school
15 cafeterias from the sale of meals, the sale of services, the
16 federal government[–] except for medicaid reimbursements
17 received by the department under section 302A- , or any other



1 source, shall be deposited in one special school lunch fund.
2 Except as otherwise provided by the legislature, all
3 expenditures for the operation of public school cafeterias shall
4 be made from this fund."

5 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2026.

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Report Title:

DOE; Universal School Meals; Medicaid Reimbursement; Special Fund

Description:

Establishes the universal school meals special fund to accept deposits of Medicaid reimbursements received by the Department of Education.

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