

**ACT 49**

H. B. 255.

A Bill for an Act Relating to Student Loans and Amending Chapter 44B of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as Amended.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

SECTION 1. This Act is hereby declared to be an urgency measure deemed necessary in the public interest within the meaning of section 11 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.

The following is a statement of the facts constituting such urgency:

The federal loan insurance program as defined and authorized by Public Law 89-329 and Public Law 89-287, and which provided students beyond high schools a means of securing loans for their education, will expire on June 30, 1968. The Second Session of the 90th Congress is considering the extension of the program and proposals for the amendment of the program in several respects. It is urgent and in the public interest that Chapter 44B of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as amended, be changed, thus insuring for the students in Hawaii the availability of uninterrupted financial assistance for the purpose of continuing or completing their education.

SECTION 2. Chapter 44B, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

**“CHAPTER 44B. STUDENT LOAN FUNDS**

**§ 44B-1. Participation in United Student Aid Funds, Inc. or other similar public or private nonprofit corporations.** The department of budget and finance is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the United Student Aid Funds, Inc., or such other public or private nonprofit corporations as may be designated by or established pursuant to Public Law 89-329, Public Law 89-287 or similar federal laws, relating to loans to students. Such contract may be amended or revised by the department to assure the full utilization of benefits provided by Public Law 89-329 and Public Law 89-287 and similar federal laws.

**§ 44B-2. Eligibility.** All students meeting the requirements of and attending institutions meeting the accreditation standards of Public Law 89-329 and Public Law 89-287 or similar federal laws shall be eligible for loans guaranteed under this program.

**§ 44B-3. Capacity of minors.** Any student otherwise qualifying for a loan under the provisions of this Act shall not be disqualified by reasons of his being under the age of twenty years, and for the purpose of applying for, receiving and repaying such loan, any such person shall be deemed to have

full legal capacity to act and shall have all rights, powers, privileges and obligations of an adult, with respect thereto.

§ 44B-4. **Rules and Regulations.** The department of budget and finance is authorized to establish rules and regulations relating to the participation of eligible institutions as defined in Public Law 89-329 and Public Law 89-287 or similar federal laws, allocation of available loan funds among the several participating eligible institutions, definition of necessary terms, and other matters relating to the program.”

SECTION 3. Material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material or the underscoring.\*

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

\* Edited accordingly.

(Approved May 8, 1968.)