

**A Bill for an Act Relating to School District Advisory Councils.**

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

**SECTION 1.** The purpose of this bill is to provide that each school district advisory council shall advise the board of education on matters of educational policy. If the councils are to serve meaningfully in funneling the feelings and opinions of the various communities to the board of education on matters of educational policy, the restriction which currently prevents them from so performing needs to be removed.

**SECTION 2.** Section 296-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

“(c) Each school district advisory council shall serve in an advisory capacity to the board of education and to the member or members of the board of education from its school district.

Each school district advisory council shall:

- (1) Inform the board of education on educational matters of interest to the school district;
- (2) Disseminate information and interpret decisions and policies of the board of education to the people of the school district;
- (3) Act as an advisory body to the district superintendent of each school district; and upon his request, assist him in disseminating information, interpreting decisions and policies, and in obtaining public reaction;
- (4) Present and explain local or school district public concern in policies and administrative regulations of the department of education;
- (5) Work with and among the several other school district advisory councils to insure cooperation on educational matters of mutual interest and concern; and
- (6) Advise the board of education in the development of policies [as the board of education may request from time to time].”

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be deleted is bracketed.

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

(Approved April 27, 1984.)