ACT 234

H.B. NO. 1666-86

A Bill for an Act Relating to a Teacher Incentive Program.

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

SECTION 1. Chapter 304, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§304- Teacher incentive program; tuition waiver. (a) In addition to any other tuition waivers provided under this chapter, there is established a teacher incentive program at the University of Hawaii to provide tuition waivers to students who agree to pursue an academic curriculum which would qualify them to teach in Hawaii's public schools in exchange for waiver of the tuition.

(b) The board of regents shall adopt rules as necessary pursuant to chapter 91, to effectuate the purpose of this section and which address the following concerns:

- (1) Minimum qualifications of applicants;
- (2) Application procedures;
- (3) Criteria for establishing an approved curriculum which meets the intent of this section;
- (4) The number of waivers available each year;
- (5) Criteria for fulfilling an applicant's obligation to teach;
- (6) Payback criteria and procedures for applicants who do not fulfill their obligation to teach; provided that such applicants shall pay not less than the tuition the applicants received in waivers;
- (7) Exceptions to payback provisions, if necessary;
- (8) The limitation, suspension, or revocation of waivers, if necessary; and
- (9) Sanctions against violators of this section or any rule adopted pursuant to this section.

(c) The tuition waiver granted under this section is not cumulative and may not be granted to an applicant who is the recipient of another waiver provided by the State."

SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.¹

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon approval, and shall be repealed as of June 30, 1992; provided that any tuition paybacks which have not been completed at the time this Act is repealed shall continue to be repaid after the repeal date.

(Approved May 28, 1986.)

Note

1. Edited pursuant to HRS §23G-16.5.