ACT 353

H.B. NO. 2060

A Bill for an Act Relating to Education.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that education is an important part of the daily lives of the citizens of Hawaii and, in particular, of our young people.

Schools, libraries, and open space are essential elements of a residential community and should exist in harmony with the surrounding community. Where resources are readily available to accommodate public facilities, it is in the best interest of all citizens to promote cooperative and shared resources among various public agencies.

SECTION 2. The department of education and the University of Hawaii shall develop a cooperative agreement on the eventual construction of a new Manoa district library not to exceed 23,000 square feet in area, and to be located on the property of the University of Hawaii currently used as a parking lot and the present library site, subject to the condition that no existing University of Hawaii buildings shall be displaced or relocated as a result of this plan. The plan shall provide for adequate parking for the University of Hawaii.

SECTION 3. The chairperson of the board of education, the president of the University of Hawaii, and the chairperson of the University of Hawaii board of regents shall submit a report to the Legislature on the status of the cooperative planning effort no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 1994.

SECTION 4. If a lease to the property described in Section 2, an exchange arrangement, or both, is deemed necessary for the accomplishment of the construction of the library facility, an agreement shall be prepared and submitted to the board of regents. The lease agreement shall be valid as long as the property is used as a library, and the rent charged under any lease agreement shall not exceed an amount of \$1 per year. All costs necessary for the preparation, processing, and recording of any agreement shall be the responsibility of the department of education.

SECTION 5. Upon termination of any lease agreement, all improvements shall become the property of the University of Hawaii.

SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1993. (Approved July 1, 1993.)