**ACT 142** 

H.B. NO. 1023

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Secondary School Students Conference.

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

SECTION 1. Section 317-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§317-1 Purpose. The purpose of this chapter is to provide for the establishment of an annual conference of secondary school students, (grades [9-12)] <u>seven to twelve</u>) which will enable students in our secondary schools to identify, discuss, and arrive at recommended solutions to major youth problems, with emphasis on school problems that require the attention and joint action by the students, the department of education, and the legislature. <u>The conference format may be a state student conference</u>, a student governance summit, or district-centered conferences as determined by the student conference committee."

SECTION 2. Section 317-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

- **"§317-3 Duties of the committee.** It shall be the duty of the student conference committee to:
  - (1) Plan and coordinate all phases of the annual conference;
  - (2) Set the theme [and], scope, and format of the conference;
  - (3) Set up the agenda of the conference;
  - (4) Determine the number of participants;
  - (5) Plan and provide for food, lodging, and transportation of all participants;
  - (6) Evaluate the worth and effectiveness of the conference; and
  - (7) Consider and act on any other matter relevant to or necessary to effectuate the purpose of this chapter."

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

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

(Approved June 16, 1997.)