ACT 71

H.B. NO. 843

A Bill for an Act Relating to School Lunch.

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

SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to allow the department of education to set the price of school lunch at up to one-half of the total cost of operating the school food services program.

SECTION 2. Section 302A-405, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

"(a) The price for the school lunch shall be set by the department to ensure that moneys received from the sale of the lunches [shall] <u>may</u> be up to [<u>one third</u>] <u>one-half</u> of the cost of preparing the school lunch[, rounded to the nearest twenty-five cents, adjusted during the first year of the fiscal biennium]. The price for the school lunch shall be based on the average cost of preparing the school lunch over the three years preceding [the second year of the fiscal biennium;] <u>any increase</u>; provided that the department by rule shall provide a lower rate or free lunches to children based on their economic need."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken.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

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2005.

(Approved May 23, 2005.)