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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the public school
2 system is strained by large class sizes, resulting in teachers
3 being unable to give the necessary tutelage time to students in
4 need of extra help. The problem is particularly acute in math
5 and science classes. Many students would benefit tremendously
6 from receiving personalized attention and instruction from
7 tutors.

8 The legislature further finds that the State has a great
9 number of retired persons who are well educated, well qualified,
10 and willing to volunteer to be tutors. These tutors are most
11 needed in math and science. Many retirees seek second careers,
12 and education fulfills the needs of many who seek to give back
13 to the community.

14 The purpose of this Act is to create a volunteer retiree
15 tutor program in the public schools, to be known as the school
16 mentoring program.



1 SECTION 2. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§302A- School mentoring program. There is created the
5 school mentoring program for the public schools. The department
6 shall administer the program. The program shall recruit and
7 train retirees to serve as volunteer tutors to students. The
8 focus of the program shall be in math and sciences."

9 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
10 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$, or so
11 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007, for
12 implementation of the school mentoring program.

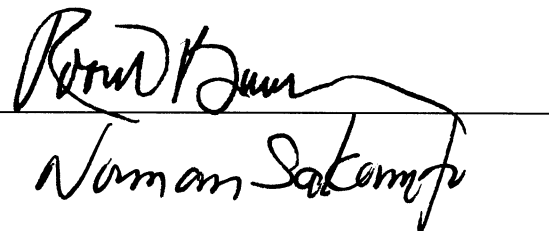
13 SECTION 4. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the
14 department of education for the purposes of this Act.

15 SECTION 5. New statutory material is underscored.

16 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

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INTRODUCED BY:


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Report Title:
Education; School Mentoring Program

SB. NO. 3140

Description:
Establishes a school mentoring program for volunteers to tutor students.

