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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION WEB SITE.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the department of  
2 education's web site serves a varied and ever-expanding audience  
3 that relies on it for information: parents, educators, policy  
4 makers, employees, and members of the public. Over 11,000 of  
5 its web pages are served to end users each day. Teachers,  
6 principals, and other department employees are increasingly  
7 using the web site to access information, records, forms, and  
8 reports to perform their daily functions. The Reinventing  
9 Education Act of 2004 articulates the importance of a data-  
10 driven system to support educational achievement. Accessibility  
11 to web-based information is paramount to data-driven decision  
12 making by policy makers, school community councils, and other  
13 educational stakeholders to support educational accountability  
14 and student achievement. As data needs continue to grow,  
15 adequate resources must be dedicated to support the department's  
16 web site to ensure satisfactory service for department and  
17 public users in a data-driven education system.



1           The legislature further finds that dedicated funding has  
2 never been allocated to maintain and service the department of  
3 education web site. Currently, only one employee is dedicated  
4 on a part-time basis to maintain and service the site. The  
5 increased usage of the web site requires additional positions  
6 and resources to maintain the web site and meet the needs of its  
7 users. The appropriation of dedicated funds will enable the  
8 department to improve its information infrastructure to  
9 accommodate evolving education data needs.

10           The purpose of this Act is to appropriate adequate funds to  
11 support the department's web site.

12           SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
13 revenues of the State of Hawaii, the following sums, or so much  
14 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007:

15           (1) \$45,840 for the establishment of one full-time  
16           equivalent (1.00 FTE) permanent data processing system  
17           analyst V position in the department to support the  
18           department's web site;

19           (2) \$40,716 for the establishment of one full-time  
20           equivalent (1.00 FTE) permanent data processing system  
21           analyst IV in the department to support the

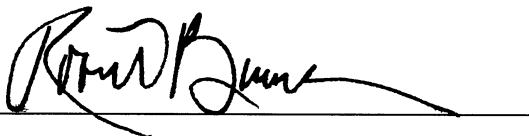


- 1 department's web site and to provide common web  
2 assistance to schools;
- 3 (3) \$103,200 for contracted advisory and technical  
4 services in site design and information retrieval  
5 optimization to support the department's web site;
- 6 (4) \$12,500 for department computer hardware upgrades and  
7 maintenance;
- 8 (5) \$2,500 for department web site development tools; and  
9 (6) \$750 for transportation, supplies, and other expenses  
10 to support the department's web site.

11 SECTION 3. The sums appropriated shall be expended by the  
12 department of education for the purposes of this Act.

13 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2006.

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**Report Title:**  
DOE Web Site

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**Description:**

Makes appropriation to support the DOE web site.

