A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TEACHERS.

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

| 1 | SECT: | ION 1. Section 302A-706, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is |
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| 2 | amended by | y amending subsection (a) to read as follows: |
| 3 | "(a) | There is established within the department the |
| 4 | teacher na | ational board certification incentive program to |
| 5 | recognize | and support exemplary teaching practice by supporting |
| 6 | public school teachers who have achieved national board | |
| 7 | certifica | tion under the certification program of the National |
| 8 | Board for | Professional Teaching Standards. The teacher national |
| 9 | board certification incentive program shall provide: | |
| 10 | (1) | A \$5,000 bonus per year for each public school teacher |
| 11 | | who maintains current national board certification; |
| 12 | (2) | An additional \$5,000 bonus per year for each public |
| 13 | | school teacher who maintains current national board |
| 14 | | certification and works at a school that is in |
| 15 | | restructuring under the No Child Left Behind Act |
| 16 | | (Public Law 107-110); |

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| 1 | $[\frac{(2)}{(3)}]$ \$1,500 upon completing the certification program | | |
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| 2 | of the National Board for Professional Teaching | | |
| 3 | Standards; and | | |
| 4 | $[\frac{(3)}{(4)}]$ A reimbursement of the remainder of the national | | |
| 5 | board certification application fee upon achievement | | |
| 6 | of national board certification." | | |
| 7 | SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general | | |
| 8 | revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much | | |
| 9 | thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008 to provide | | |
| 10 | salary differentials for public school teachers who maintain | | |
| 11 | current national board certification and teach at restructuring | | |
| 12 | schools. | | |
| 13 | The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of | | |
| 14 | education for the purposes of this Act. | | |
| 15 | SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed | | |
| 16 | and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. | | |
| 17 | SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007. | | |

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Report Title:

Teacher National Board Certification Incentive Program; Restructuring Schools

Description:

Provides greater incentives for National Board Certified teachers to work at schools in restructuring under the No Child Left Behind Act, by giving them an additional \$5,000 bonus per year. Appropriates funds.