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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANTS.

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

1 SECTION 1. A career ladder program is a salary structure
2 developed for educational assistants who meet the specific job
3 requirements based on specific training, job performance, and
4 years of experience as an educational assistant. The career
5 ladder program recognizes training as a means to advance in
6 salary. The goal of the career ladder program is to attract,
7 retain, and reward quality educational assistants by:

- 8 (1) Providing opportunities for professional growth;
9 (2) Enhancing education to improve student achievement;
10 and
11 (3) Providing incentives, a salary supplement, and a
12 career advancement program.

13 With the reauthorization of the Individuals with
14 Disabilities Education Act, and the requirements set forth in
15 the No Child Left Behind Act, the department of education is
16 responsible for the development of staff training programs and
17 opportunities to meet these demands.



1 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds for an
2 education assistants' career ladder program within the
3 department of education.

4 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
5 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$, or so
6 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, and
7 the same sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
8 year 2008-2009, for an education assistants' career ladder
9 program within the department of education.

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

12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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Report Title:

Department of Education; Educational Assistants' Career Ladder Program; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates moneys to the department of education for an educational assistants' career ladder program.

