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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 scope and level  
2 of responsibilities of the board of education, as the state  
3 education agency with statewide policymaking authority and  
4 oversight over the public schools and public libraries, have  
5 grown significantly.

6           The legislature further finds that board of education  
7 members are not salaried but receive compensation at a rate of  
8 \$100 per day for each day's actual attendance at meetings. The  
9 compensation rate for board of education members was statutorily  
10 established in 1966 at a rate of \$50 per day, and was  
11 subsequently increased to \$100 per day in 1989. Compensation  
12 for board members has not increased since then.

13           The purpose of this Act is to increase the compensation of  
14 members of the board of education, establish a protocol  
15 allowance for board members, and allow board members to receive  
16 personal expenses at rates specified by the board while



1 attending board meetings or while on official business as  
2 authorized by the board chairperson.

3 SECTION 2. Section 302A-1105, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
4 amended to read as follows:

5 "§302A-1105 Compensation; expenses. Board [~~of education~~]  
6 members shall be allowed:

7 (1) Compensation at the rate of [~~\$100~~] \$200 per day for  
8 each day's actual attendance at meetings;

9 (2) Transportation fares between islands and abroad; and

10 (3) Personal expenses at the rates specified by the board  
11 while attending board meetings or while on official  
12 business as authorized by the board chairperson[~~, when~~  
13 ~~the board meetings or official business require a~~  
14 ~~board member to leave the island upon which the board~~  
15 ~~member resides.]; and~~

16 (4) A protocol allowance to cover expenses incurred in the  
17 course of a member's duties and responsibilities.

18 For the purposes of this section, "meetings" includes general  
19 business meetings, special meetings, standing committee  
20 meetings, ad hoc committee meetings, and community meetings of  
21 the board."



1 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general  
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so  
3 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 to  
4 carry out the purposes of this Act.

5 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the board of  
6 education for the purposes of this Act.

7 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;  
10 provided that section 3 shall be effective on July 1, 2008.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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**Report Title:**

BOE; Compensation; Increase

**Description:**

Increases the compensation rate per day to \$200 for board of education members. Establishes a protocol allowance for expenses incurred in the performance of board members' duties and responsibilities. Allows board members to receive personal expenses at rates specified by the board while attending board meetings or while on official business as authorized by the board chairperson.

