

JAN 18 2008

A BILL FOR AN ACT

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY IN PUBLIC
EDUCATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that subject-matter
2 knowledge and competency in the areas of science and mathematics
3 in our public schools are critical to student achievement; the
4 viability of pursuing and obtaining employment in fields such as
5 science, technology, engineering, and mathematics; and our
6 nation's competitiveness as a global leader in scientific and
7 technological innovation.

8 The legislature further finds that greater training and
9 resources provided through the districts for science and
10 technology programs in schools will support student learning in
11 these areas. Furthermore, district support for science and
12 technology programs will foster greater student participation
13 and achievement in statewide and national science and technology
14 competitions and events, such as the science fair.

15 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to support
16 science and technology resource needs within the department of
17 education.



1 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$500,000 or so much
3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 to support
4 science and technology resource needs within the department of
5 education; provided that:

6 (1) \$350,000 shall be for a permanent, part-time science
7 and technology coordinator in each of the seven school
8 districts to provide support for schools in these
9 areas;

10 (2) \$10,000 for state administrative costs to support
11 science and technology in the department of education;
12 and

13 (3) \$140,000 shall be to support science and technology
14 resource needs in each of the seven school districts
15 to provide support for schools in these areas.

16 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
17 education for the purposes of this Act.

18 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

19 INTRODUCED BY: Norman Solomon



Report Title:

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Description:

Appropriates funds to support science and technology resource needs within the department of education.

