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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TEACHERS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 304A-701, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

3 "(a) There is created the Hawaii educator loan program to  
4 be administered by the University of Hawaii, in partnership with  
5 a financial institution whose operations are principally  
6 conducted in Hawaii, to provide financial support to students  
7 and teachers who complete a state-approved teacher education  
8 program, which may include teacher education programs outside of  
9 the University of Hawaii and the State, and who agree to teach  
10 as a full-time teacher for a period of time to be determined by  
11 the university prior to the award of a loan, in:

12 (1) The Hawaii public school system in a hard-to-fill  
13 position including special education, regular  
14 education shortage categories, or Title 1 schools, and  
15 in one of the following capacities:

16 (A) As an elementary school teacher teaching in the  
17 field of elementary education who has met



1 standards as set forth by the Hawaii teacher  
2 standards board; or

3 (B) As a secondary school teacher teaching in the  
4 subject area that is relevant to the loan  
5 recipient's academic major as certified by the  
6 department of education who has met standards as  
7 set forth by the Hawaii teacher standards board;  
8 or

9 (2) At a school located in a rural area in the State, as  
10 determined by the superintendent of education.

11 Eligibility shall be determined by the university on a  
12 competitive basis. The amount to be loaned to a student shall  
13 be determined by the board of regents based on need for  
14 financial aid and proof of acceptance into a state-approved  
15 teacher education program [~~at the university~~]. The maximum  
16 amount of loans that a student may receive under this program  
17 shall be an aggregate amount equivalent to tuition payments and  
18 costs of textbooks and other instructional materials necessary  
19 to complete a state-approved teacher education program."

20 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
21 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so



1 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2008-2009 for  
2 the Hawaii educator loan program.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the University of  
4 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;  
8 provided that section 2 shall take effect on July 1, 2008.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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**Report Title:**

UH; Hawaii Educator Loans Program; Appropriation

**Description:**

Authorizes the expansion of the Hawaii educator loans program to include applicants from state-approved teacher education programs outside of the University of Hawaii and the State. Appropriates funds for the loans.

