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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. Section 302A-624, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

3 "(b) All teachers [~~must~~] shall meet the following
4 requirements:

5 (1) A teacher [~~must~~] shall earn at least five credits
6 within a three-year cycle in order to receive
7 increment or longevity step increases in the third
8 year of the three-year cycle;

9 (2) A teacher who fails to meet the requirement set forth
10 in paragraph (1) shall not be eligible for any
11 increment or longevity step increases until the
12 teacher earns the credit requirement for the three-
13 year cycle;

14 (3) Any credit earned in excess of any three-year credit
15 requirement may not be carried over beyond the three-
16 year cycle; and



1 (4) Credits earned can be in the form of in-service,
2 university, or other credits approved by the
3 department[-]; provided that the department shall
4 accept credits earned, prior or subsequent to
5 employment with the department, for courses completed
6 or degrees earned in subject matter areas or fields
7 that are not related to teaching."

8 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

10 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Teachers' Salary Schedule; Credits for Degrees and Courses

Description:

Requires the department of education to allow teachers to receive credit for any degree or coursework completed, regardless of the relevance of the degree or coursework to teaching.

