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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EARLY LEARNING.

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

1           SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to clarify  
2 provisions of the early learning system, established by Act 14,  
3 Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2008 by:

4           (1) Authorizing the Hawaii Council of Mayors to name  
5           designees for their two representatives on the early  
6           learning council;

7           (2) Changing the name of the keiki first steps trust fund  
8           to the early learning council trust fund; and

9           (3) Specifying that moneys in the trust fund shall not  
10           lapse at the end of the fiscal year.

11           SECTION 2. Section 302L-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
12 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

13           "(b) The council shall consist of the following voting  
14 members:

15           (1) The superintendent of education or the  
16           superintendent's designee;



- 1           (2) The director of human services or the director's
- 2           designee;
- 3           (3) The director of health or the director's designee;
- 4           (4) The president of the University of Hawaii or the
- 5           president's designee;
- 6           (5) A representative of center-based program providers;
- 7           (6) A representative of family child care program
- 8           providers;
- 9           (7) A representative of family-child interaction learning
- 10          program providers;
- 11          (8) A representative of philanthropic organizations that
- 12          support early learning; and
- 13          (9) Two representatives of the Hawaii Council of Mayors[-]
- 14          or the Hawaii Council of Mayor's designees.

15          The council shall invite the director of the Hawaii head  
16 start state collaboration office, the chief executive officer of  
17 the Kamehameha Schools, and the executive director of the Hawaii  
18 Association of Independent Schools, or their designees, to serve  
19 as voting members of the council.

20          Except for the superintendent of education, directors of  
21 state departments, president of the University of Hawaii,  
22 director of the Hawaii head start state collaboration office,



1 chief executive officer of the Kamehameha Schools, and executive  
2 director of the Hawaii Association of Independent Schools, or  
3 their designees, and the two representatives of the Hawaii  
4 Council of Mayors, the members shall be nominated and, by and  
5 with the advice and consent of the senate, appointed by the  
6 governor."

7 SECTION 3. Section 302L-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
8 amended to read as follows:

9 "[+]§302L-5[+] [~~Keiki first steps~~] Early learning council  
10 trust fund. There is established within the state treasury the  
11 [~~keiki first steps~~] early learning council trust fund, to be  
12 administered by the early learning council, into which shall be  
13 deposited all moneys received by the council in the form of:

- 14 (1) Fees;
- 15 (2) Grants;
- 16 (3) Donations;
- 17 (4) Appropriations made by the legislature to the fund;
- 18 and
- 19 (5) Revenues regardless of their source,

20 and earnings on moneys in the fund. Moneys in the fund shall be  
21 used for the early learning system. Expenditures from the fund  
22 may be made by the council without appropriation or allotment.



1 Moneys in the fund shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal  
2 year."

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

5 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.  
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