
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) Authorizing the governor's appointees to name
8 designees for their representatives on the early
9 learning council;
- 10 (3) Changing the name of the keiki first steps trust fund
11 to the early learning trust fund; and
- 12 (4) Specifying that moneys in the early learning trust
13 fund shall not lapse to the credit of the general fund
14 at the end of each fiscal year.
- 15 SECTION 2. Section 302L-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
16 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

1 "(b) The council shall consist of the following voting
2 members:

3 (1) The superintendent of education or the
4 superintendent's designee;

5 (2) The director of human services or the director's
6 designee;

7 (3) The director of health or the director's designee;

8 (4) The president of the University of Hawaii or the
9 president's designee;

10 (5) A representative of center-based program providers or
11 the representative's designee;

12 (6) A representative of family child care program
13 providers or the representative's designee;

14 (7) A representative of family-child interaction learning
15 program providers or the representative's designee;

16 (8) A representative of philanthropic organizations that
17 support early learning or the representative's
18 designee; and

19 (9) Two representatives of the Hawaii Council of Mayors[~~-~~]
20 or the Hawaii Council of Mayor's designees.

21 The council shall invite the director of the Hawaii head
22 start state collaboration office, the chief executive officer of

1 the Kamehameha Schools, and the executive director of the Hawaii
2 Association of Independent Schools, or their designees, to serve
3 as voting members of the council.

4 Except for the superintendent of education, directors of
5 state departments, president of the University of Hawaii,
6 director of the Hawaii head start state collaboration office,
7 chief executive officer of the Kamehameha Schools, and executive
8 director of the Hawaii Association of Independent Schools, or
9 their designees, and the two representatives of the Hawaii
10 Council of Mayors, the members shall be nominated and, by and
11 with the advice and consent of the senate, appointed by the
12 governor."

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

15 "[~~§~~§302L-5[~~§~~]] [~~Keiki first steps~~] Early learning trust
16 fund. There is established within the state treasury the [~~keiki~~
17 ~~first steps~~] early learning trust fund, to be administered by
18 the early learning council, into which shall be deposited all
19 moneys received by the council in the form of:

- 20 (1) Fees;
- 21 (2) Grants;
- 22 (3) Donations;

1 (4) Appropriations made by the legislature to the fund;
2 and
3 (5) Revenues regardless of their source,
4 and earnings on moneys in the fund. Moneys in the fund shall be
5 used for the early learning system. Expenditures from the fund
6 may be made by the council without appropriation or allotment.
7 Unexpended moneys in the fund shall not lapse to the credit of
8 the general fund and shall remain in the early learning trust
9 fund at the end of each fiscal year."

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

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

Report Title:

Early Learning Council; Trust Fund

Description:

Authorizes the Governor and the Hawaii Council of Mayors to name designees for their representatives on the early learning council; changes the name of the keiki first steps trust fund to the early learning trust fund and specifies that moneys in the trust fund shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year. (SD1)