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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST  
FUND.

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

1           SECTION 1. Chapter 87A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated  
3 and to read as follows:

4           "§87A-       Rules; dependent-beneficiaries; military  
5 deployment. The board shall adopt rules, without regard to  
6 chapter 91, that provide for the extension of health benefits  
7 coverage for a dependent-beneficiary unmarried child past the  
8 age of twenty-four; provided that:

9           (1) The dependent-beneficiary was a member of a reserve  
10           component of the United States armed forces and was  
11           ordered to active duty in federal service while the  
12           dependant-beneficiary was a full-time student under  
13           the age of twenty-four; and

14           (2) Health benefits coverage shall be extended for not  
15           less than the length of the period of time that the  
16           dependent-beneficiary was not covered by health  
17           coverage provided by the United States Department of



1            Defense following deployment, but not more than the  
 2            length of the period of time of the deployment that  
 3            took place during the period of health benefits  
 4            eligibility through the employer-union health benefits  
 5            trust fund prior to the dependent-beneficiary's  
 6            twenty-fourth birthday."

7            SECTION 2.    New statutory material is underscored.

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

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**Report Title:**

Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund

**Description:**

Extends the maximum age for EUTF health benefits coverage for dependent-beneficiaries who are unmarried full-time students and are called to active duty in federal service with the National Guard or military reserves.

