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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION AWARENESS AND  
COMPLIANCE ACT.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature recognizes that sufficient  
2 armed strength must be achieved and maintained to insure the  
3 security of the United States. In a free society, the  
4 obligations and privileges of serving in the armed forces and  
5 the reserve components should be shared in accordance with a  
6 system of selection that is fair and just, and consistent with  
7 maintaining an effective national economy.

8           The legislature finds that to achieve these national  
9 security goals, the United States Congress has enacted the  
10 United States Military Selective Service Act (50 U.S.C. App. 451  
11 et seq.), which requires all male citizens and males residing in  
12 the United States, except for lawfully admitted non-immigrants,  
13 to register with the Selective Service System upon reaching the  
14 age of eighteen.

15           The legislature further finds that any person who is not in  
16 compliance with the Military Selective Service Act is ineligible



1 for federal student financial assistance and employment within  
2 the executive branch of the federal government.

3 The purpose of this Act is to require compliance with the  
4 Military Selective Service Act to be eligible for enrollment in  
5 a state-supported post-secondary institution, qualify for state  
6 financial assistance for post-secondary education, or be  
7 eligible for state or county employment or service.

8 SECTION 2. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by  
9 adding a new chapter to be appropriately designated and to read  
10 as follows:

11 **"CHAPTER**

12 **SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION AWARENESS AND COMPLIANCE ACT**

13 § -1 **Short title.** This chapter shall be known as the  
14 "Selective Service Registration Awareness and Compliance Act".

15 § -2 **Definitions.** As used in this chapter:

16 "Military Selective Service Act" means 50 United States  
17 Code App. 451 et seq.

18 § -3 **Compliance; post-secondary education enrollment and**  
19 **financial assistance.** (a) Notwithstanding any law to the  
20 contrary, any person who is not in compliance with the Military  
21 Selective Service Act, shall not be:



1 (1) Permitted to enroll in, or receive education from, a  
2 state-supported post-secondary institution, including  
3 a university, college, community college, professional  
4 school, research facility, education center, or  
5 institution within the University of Hawaii system;  
6 and

7 (2) Eligible to receive a loan, grant, scholarship, or  
8 other financial assistance for post-secondary  
9 education that is provided by, supported by, or  
10 guaranteed by the State.

11 (b) The University of Hawaii shall ensure that applicants  
12 and enrollees under its jurisdiction comply with the Military  
13 Selective Service Act for the purposes of this section.

14 **§ -4 Compliance; state and county employment and**  
15 **service.** (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, no male  
16 United States citizen and every other male person residing in  
17 the United States between the ages of eighteen and twenty-six,  
18 who are not in compliance with the Military Selective Service  
19 Act, shall be eligible for employment by the State or any  
20 political subdivision of the State, or eligible for service for  
21 the State or any political subdivision of the State, including



1 all offices, self-governing bodies, boards and commissions,  
2 departments, agencies, institutions, and instrumentalities.

3 (b) The State and respective counties shall ensure that  
4 employees under their jurisdiction comply with the Military  
5 Selective Service Act for the purposes of this section.

6 **§ -5 Exceptions.** A person shall not be denied a right,  
7 privilege, or benefit under this chapter for noncompliance with  
8 the Military Selective Service Act if the person is:

9 (1) Eighteen years of age or under, or over twenty-six  
10 years of age;

11 (2) In the armed forces of the United States on active  
12 duty, other than in a reserve or National Guard unit  
13 or has already served in the armed forces or has a  
14 condition that would preclude acceptability for  
15 military service;

16 (3) Neither a United States citizen nor a resident  
17 immigrant;

18 (4) A permanent resident of the Trust Territory of the  
19 Pacific Island or the Northern Mariana Islands; or

20 (5) Is excused from registration for some other reason  
21 provided by the Military Selective Service Act and  
22 that reason is included in a written statement.



1           §    -6 Severability. If any provision of this chapter, or  
2 the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held  
3 invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or  
4 applications of the chapter which can be given without the  
5 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions  
6 of this chapter are severable."

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

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**Report Title:**

Selective Service Registration Awareness and Compliance Act

**Description:**

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