
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SCHOOLS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "~~§302A-404~~ School meals[-]; agricultural products. (a)

4 School meals shall be made available under the school meals
5 program in every school where the students are required to eat
6 meals at school[-]

7 (b) Each school with a school meals program in a regional
8 administrative district shall serve agricultural products from a
9 farm at least once each week; provided that:

10 (1) The farm is located within that regional
11 administrative district; and

12 (2) The agricultural products are purchased from that
13 farm."

14 SECTION 2. Section 302A-431.7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
15 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

16 "(b) The agriculture education program shall be
17 administered by a director who shall:



- 1 (1) Assist in assessing the agricultural needs of the
2 State and devise methods of meeting those needs with
3 the agriculture education program;
- 4 (2) Assist school districts in establishing agriculture
5 education programs;
- 6 (3) Review school district applications for approval of
7 agriculture education programs;
- 8 (4) Evaluate existing programs and design complementary
9 programs;
- 10 (5) Plan research and studies for the improvement of
11 curriculum materials for specialty areas of
12 agriculture, including aquaculture and incumbent
13 worker training;
- 14 (6) Ensure that the standards and criteria developed under
15 this section satisfy the mandates of federally-
16 assisted career and technical education;
- 17 (7) Develop in-service programs for teachers and
18 administrators of agriculture education programs;
- 19 (8) Review applications for agriculture teacher
20 certification;
- 21 (9) Assist in teacher recruitment and placement in
22 agriculture education programs;



1 (10) Serve as a liaison with the Future Farmers of America,
2 representatives of business, industry, appropriate
3 public agencies, and institutions of higher education,
4 including the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation, to
5 facilitate dissemination of information;

6 (11) Promote improvement of agriculture education programs;
7 [~~and~~]

8 (12) Assist in the development of adult, continuing
9 education, and college-level education programs in
10 agriculture[-]; and

11 (13) Arrange for interested schools, classes, or students
12 to work, volunteer, or study on a farm located within
13 the regional administrative district of the interested
14 school, class, or student. The arrangement may
15 accommodate a school or class project, provide student
16 volunteer opportunities, or provide school credit or
17 fulfill a public service requirement."

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

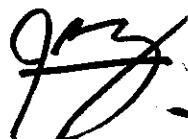
20 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

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Description:

Requires the DOE to purchase agricultural products for school meals programs that have a farm within a school's regional administrative district. Requires the agriculture education program to arrange for opportunities for students to work, volunteer, or study on farms within a school's regional administrative district.

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