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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PHYSICIAN WORKFORCE ASSESSMENT.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 304A-2171, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:  
3           "(c) Moneys in the special fund shall be used to support  
4 the John A. Burns school of medicine's activities related to  
5 physician workforce assessment and planning within Hawaii;  
6 provided that of the physician workforce assessment fees  
7 transferred and deposited into the special fund pursuant to  
8 section 453-8.8, no less than fifty per cent of the total amount  
9 of assessment fees deposited shall be used for purposes  
10 identified by the Hawaii medical education council to support  
11 physician workforce assessment and planning efforts, including  
12 the recruitment and retention of physicians, for rural and  
13 medically underserved areas of the State; provided further that  
14 expenditures from the special fund shall be limited to no more  
15 than [~~\$150,000~~] \$245,000 annually. This shall include but not  
16 be limited to maintaining accurate physician workforce  
17 assessment information and providing or updating personal and  
18 professional information, that shall be maintained in a secure



1 database. The John A. Burns school of medicine may disclose  
2 information specific to any physician only with the express  
3 written consent of that physician."

4 SECTION 2. Section 453-8.8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
5 amended to read as follows:

6 **"[+]§453-8.8[+] Physician workforce assessment fee;**  
7 **license; physician workforce information.** When a license is  
8 renewed, each physician or surgeon and each osteopathic  
9 physician or surgeon shall be assessed a fee of \$60 that shall  
10 be transferred and deposited into the John A. Burns school of  
11 medicine special fund established under section 304A-2171 to  
12 support ongoing assessment and planning of the physician  
13 workforce in Hawaii[-], including ongoing assessment and  
14 planning, as well as the recruitment and retention of  
15 physicians, especially for the physician workforce serving rural  
16 and medically underserved areas of the State. Payment of the  
17 physician workforce assessment fee shall be required for license  
18 renewal."

19 SECTION 3. Act 18, Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2009, is  
20 amended as follows:

21 1. By amending section 5 to read:



1 "SECTION 5. The John A. Burns school of medicine shall  
 2 submit a report of findings and recommendations detailing its  
 3 assessment of the physician workforce to the legislature, the  
 4 state health planning and development agency, and the Hawaii  
 5 medical board, no later than twenty days prior to the convening  
 6 of the regular session of 2011 and each [~~odd-numbered~~] year  
 7 thereafter. The report to the Hawaii medical board shall also  
 8 include information on the expenditure of the fees collected  
 9 pursuant to section [~~453—~~,] 453-8.8, Hawaii Revised Statutes,  
 10 to produce a physician workforce plan for Hawaii."

11 2. By amending section 9 to read:

12 "SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009;  
 13 provided that sections 3 and 4 shall be repealed on June 30,  
 14 [~~2012-~~] 2017."

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

17 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on June 29, 2012;  
 18 provided that section 1 shall be repealed on June 30, 2017, and  
 19 section 304A-2171(c), Hawaii Revised Statutes, shall be  
 20 reenacted in the form in which it read on June 28, 2012.



**Report Title:**

Physician Workforce Assessment Fee; John A. Burns School of Medicine

**Description:**

Extends the physician workforce assessment fee and disbursements of the fees collected until June 30, 2017. Requires no less than fifty per cent of the assessment fees be deposited into the John A. Burns school of medicine special fund to support physician workforce assessment and planning efforts, including recruitment and retention of physicians, especially those serving rural and medically underserved areas of the State, and raises the expenditure ceiling of the special fund from \$150,000 annually to \$245,000 annually (sunsets June 30, 2017). Requires the University of Hawaii at Manoa to report annually to the legislature, the state health planning and development agency, and the Hawaii medical board. Effective June 29, 2012. (CD1)

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