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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, one hundred per cent of the total amount of  
9 assessment fees deposited shall be used to:

- 10 (1) Address communication of federal health care reform  
11 and implementation of the federal Patient Protection  
12 and Affordable Care Act;  
13 (2) Support and develop the medical home model; and  
14 (3) Support increases in physician reimbursements;

15 provided further that expenditures from the special fund shall  
16 be limited to no more than \$150,000 annually. This shall  
17 include but not be limited to maintaining accurate physician  
18 workforce assessment information and providing or updating



1 personal and professional information, that shall be maintained  
2 in a secure database. The John A. Burns school of medicine may  
3 disclose information specific to any physician only with the  
4 express written consent of that physician."

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

7 "~~§~~453-8.8~~§~~ **Physician workforce assessment fee;**  
8 **license; physician workforce information.** When a license is  
9 renewed, each physician or surgeon and each osteopathic  
10 physician or surgeon shall be assessed a fee of \$60 that shall  
11 be transferred and deposited into the John A. Burns school of  
12 medicine special fund established under section 304A-2171 to  
13 support ongoing assessment and planning of the physician  
14 workforce in Hawaii~~(-)~~, including:

- 15 (1) Addressing communication of federal health care reform  
16 and implementation of the federal Patient Protection  
17 and Affordable Care Act;  
18 (2) Supporting and developing the medical home model; and  
19 (3) Supporting increases in physician reimbursements.

20 Payment of the physician workforce assessment fee shall be  
21 required for license renewal."



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

3 1. By amending section 5 to read:

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

14 2. By amending section 9 to read:

15 "SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009;  
16 provided that sections 3 and 4 shall be repealed on [~~June 30,~~  
17 ~~2012.~~] July 1, 2015."

18 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

20 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2011.



**Report Title:**

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

**Description:**

Extends the Physician Workforce Assessment Fee to July 1, 2015.  
Requires one hundred percent of the assessment fees be used to  
support health care reform, the medical home model, and  
physician reimbursements. Requires John A. Burns School of  
Medicine to prepare an annual, rather than biannual, report  
regarding physician workforce. Effective July 1, 2011. (SB240  
HD2)

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