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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that in a survey
2 conducted by the Hawaii state teachers association, forty-seven
3 per cent of the respondents cited annual personal expenditures
4 of between \$250 and \$500 each year on classroom supplies, with
5 many claiming expenditures in excess of \$1,000.

6 The purpose of this Act is to establish a debit card system
7 for teachers to purchase curriculum and classroom supplies.

8 SECTION 2. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
9 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
10 and to read as follows:

11 "§302A- Teacher purchases of classroom and curriculum
12 supplies; debit cards. (a) The department shall establish a
13 debit card system for purchases by teachers at each public
14 school. Purchases on the debit card shall be limited to
15 classroom and curriculum supplies.



1 (b) The department shall authorize debit card purchases to
2 be made at any vendor or business; provided that the debit card
3 purchases shall be exempt from chapter 103D.

4 (c) The department may contract the services of another
5 entity to provide debit cards or any related services as may be
6 required by this section."

7 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
8 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so
9 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017 for
10 the costs of implementation of a debit card system at each
11 public school pursuant to section 2 of this Act.

12 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
13 education for the purposes of this Act.

14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;
15 provided that section 3 shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

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Report Title:

Education; Debit Cards; Appropriation

Description:

Requires the department of education to establish a debit card system for purchases by teachers at each public school. Clarifies that purchases on the debit card are limited to classroom and curriculum supplies. Makes an appropriation.

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