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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. Section 302A-706, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended as follows:

3 1. By amending its title to read:

4 "§302A-706 [~~Teacher national~~] National board certification
5 incentive program."

6 2. By amending subsection (a) to read:

7 "(a) There is established within the department the
8 [~~teacher~~] national board certification incentive program to
9 recognize and support exemplary [~~teaching~~] educational practice
10 by supporting public school teachers and school psychologists
11 who have achieved national board certification under the
12 certification program of the National Board for Professional
13 Teaching Standards[-] or National Association of School
14 Psychologists. The [~~teacher~~] national board certification
15 incentive program shall provide:



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- 1 (1) A \$5,000 bonus per year for each public school teacher
2 or school psychologist who maintains current national
3 board certification;
- 4 (2) \$1,500 upon completing all components of the
5 certification program of the National Board for
6 Professional Teaching Standards;
- 7 (3) A reimbursement of the remainder of the national board
8 certification application fee upon achievement of
9 national board certification; [~~and~~]
- 10 (4) An additional \$5,000 bonus per year for each public
11 school teacher or school psychologist who maintains
12 current national board certification and who [~~teaches~~]
13 is employed at:
- 14 (A) A school in a focus, priority, or
15 superintendent's zone, or other similar
16 designation, as determined by the department;
- 17 (B) A school with a high turnover rate, as determined
18 by the department; or
- 19 (C) A hard-to-fill school, as determined by the
20 department [~~-~~]; and



1 (5) An additional \$ _____ bonus per year for any
 2 school psychologist employed at a public school who
 3 received a yearly bonus pursuant to paragraph (4);
 4 provided that the school psychologist maintains
 5 national board certification and continues working in
 6 the same school after the school no longer meets any
 7 of the criteria under paragraph (4). The school
 8 psychologist shall receive the additional bonus from
 9 the time the school no longer meets any of the
 10 criteria under paragraph (4) until the end date of the
 11 school psychologist's national board certification in
 12 effect at the time the school no longer meets those
 13 criteria, or until the school psychologist is no
 14 longer employed at the school, whichever occurs
 15 first."

16 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
 17 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

18 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

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Report Title:

Education; National Board Certification Incentive Program

Description:

Expands the National Board Certification Incentive Program to provide monetary incentives to school psychologists. Authorizes continuing bonuses for school psychologists in certain designated schools that improve and no longer carry a certain designation.

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