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S.B. NO. 2495

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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE NEW HIGH SCHOOL IN KIHAI.

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

1       SECTION 1. The legislature finds that south Maui County  
2 currently lacks a high school. Significant population growth in  
3 this area, particularly in the Kihei-Makena region, along with  
4 geographical separation from existing central Maui high schools,  
5 has created a need for a new high school in south Maui.

6 Students in Kihei must travel long distances to attend high  
7 school in central Maui. Furthermore, the lack of a high school  
8 in the south Maui area has raised enrollment at two central Maui  
9 schools, Maui high school and Baldwin high school, such that  
10 each of those schools has surpassed its respective design  
11 capacity and is now overcrowded.

12       The legislature also finds that it has previously  
13 appropriated funds to cover all costs for the planning, design,  
14 and construction of a new high school in Kihei. In 2013, the  
15 legislature appropriated \$130,000,000 for the completion of the  
16 project. However, due to fiscal concerns and changes in  
17 administration, the department of education was unable to spend



1 \$100,000,000 of the appropriated funds. In response, the  
2 department adopted a phased approach for the project. The first  
3 phase of the project would include the necessary infrastructure  
4 construction and the second phase would include the construction  
5 of the new school's physical buildings.

6 The legislature additionally finds that it has secured  
7 \$30,000,000 in funds for the first phase of the project. The  
8 securing of these funds allowed the department to commence the  
9 infrastructure construction of the first phase and break ground  
10 on the new Kihei high school in January 2016.

11 The legislature further finds that an appropriation of  
12 funds is necessary at this time so that the remaining planning,  
13 design, and construction work on the second phase may move  
14 forward without further delay. Given the overcrowding in  
15 central Maui schools and the ever-increasing population in the  
16 Kihei-Makena region, additional delays in construction of the  
17 new Kihei high school will continue to negatively impact  
18 students and community members of south Maui.

19 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate  
20 funds for the remaining design, construction, and equipment for  
21 the new high school in Kihei, Maui.



1       SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue  
2 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$88,000,000 or so much  
3 thereof as may be necessary and the same sum or so much thereof  
4 as may be necessary is appropriated for fiscal year 2018-2019  
5 for the purpose of capital improvement projects for the new high  
6 school in Kihei, Maui: design, construction, and equipment for  
7 the new high school; ground and site improvements; and for  
8 equipment and appurtenances, as follows:

9           Design	\$1,600,000	
10          Construction	\$84,800,000	
11          Equipment	\$1,600,000	
12          Total funding		\$88,000,000

13       SECTION 3. The appropriation made for the capital  
14 improvement project authorized by this Act shall not lapse at  
15 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is  
16 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation  
17 unencumbered as of June 30, 2020, shall lapse as of that date.

18       SECTION 4. The sum appropriated for the respective capital  
19 projects set forth in section 2 shall be expended by the  
20 department of education for the purposes of this Act.



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1 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.

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**Report Title:**

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**Description:**

Appropriates funds for capital improvement projects for the new  
high school in Kihei, Maui.

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