
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
3 and to read as follows:

4 "§302A- Participation in extracurricular activities by
5 home-schooled children. (a) A child who is home schooled in
6 accordance with section 302A-1132(a)(5) shall be eligible to
7 participate in extracurricular activities at the public school
8 that the child would otherwise be required to attend. For the
9 purpose of participating in an extracurricular activity, no
10 child who is home schooled shall be granted a geographic
11 exception to enroll at a school the child would not otherwise be
12 required to attend. A home-schooled child who wishes to
13 participate in an extracurricular activity shall:

14 (1) Meet the health requirements set forth in sections
15 302A-1154 through 302A-1157, prior to the child's
16 participation in the extracurricular activity;



1 (2) Meet the participation requirements and restrictions
2 for the extracurricular activity, including
3 maintaining appropriate grade point averages and
4 paying appropriate fees; provided that the
5 requirements or restrictions shall not be inconsistent
6 with this section;

7 (3) Submit the child's birth certificate and proof of
8 residency in a manner determined by the department;
9 and

10 (4) Be enrolled at the school as a home-schooled student
11 at the beginning of the school year; provided that the
12 dependent of a person in military service who moved to
13 the school district shall be enrolled on the day of
14 the extracurricular activity; provided further that
15 any student enrolled for purposes of this section
16 shall not be counted toward the school's attendance
17 and similar records.

18 (b) If the number of students who desire to participate in
19 an extracurricular activity exceeds the number of students who
20 may participate, priority shall be given to students attending
21 the school over home-schooled students.



1 (c) Any additional expense incurred by the school for a
2 home-schooled student's participation in an extracurricular
3 activity shall be reimbursed by the department. The
4 reimbursement shall not reduce the allocation of weighted
5 student formula funds to the school pursuant to section 302A-
6 1303.6.

7 (d) The department may adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91:

8 (1) To implement this section and to provide procedures by
9 which a home-schooled child may apply to participate
10 in extracurricular activities; and

11 (2) Setting forth which programs qualify as
12 extracurricular activities under this section.

13 (e) As used in this section, "extracurricular activity"
14 means a school-authorized or education-related activity
15 occurring during or outside the regular instructional school
16 day, including sports, cheerleading, clubs, and other programs."

17 SECTION 2. The department of education shall establish a
18 task force to determine the criteria to be used in prioritizing
19 school students over home-schooled students pursuant to section
20 302A- (b), Hawaii Revised Statutes. The task force shall
21 submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the board



1 of education no later than the first day of the 2019-2020 school
2 year.

3 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

4 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Home Schooling; Extracurricular Activities

Description:

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Date: 03/19/2018
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Location: 309
Committee: House Education

Department: Education

Person Testifying: Dr. Christina M. Kishimoto, Superintendent of Education

Title of Bill: SB 0318, SD2 RELATING TO EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.

Purpose of Bill: Allows home-schooled students to participate in extracurricular activities offered at the public school that they would otherwise be required to attend. Establishes a task force to determine criteria for prioritizing students who attend a public school over home-schooled students when determining which students may participate in an extracurricular activity. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

Department's Position:

The Department of Education (Department) offers the following concerns on SB 318, SD2 and requests clarification on the funding intent.

- 1) The Department is concerned that the additional administrative oversight necessary to monitor varied home school curriculum will add to the principal's responsibilities and already heavy workload for students not formally enrolled in the respective schools. The Department is currently gathering impact statements on this measure from Principals statewide and, their provided input to Legislators will be forthcoming.
- 2) In the related Board of Education's report to the 2014 Legislature on homeschooling http://lrhawaii.info/reports/legrpts/doe/2014/scr76_13.pdf, homeschool representatives noted that indicative of a parent's choice to homeschool is the desire to individually select curriculum. As such, determining a means to evaluate progress will be difficult, and is dependent on the cooperation of the homeschooled student's parent.
- 3) SB318, SD2, Section 1, (c), page 3 states that: *"Any additional expense incurred by the school for a home-schooled student's participation in an extracurricular activity shall be reimbursed by the department. The reimbursement shall not reduce the allocation of weighted student formula funds to the school pursuant to section 302A-1303.6."*

As the current draft is void of an appropriation, the determined source of funding for such

reimbursements is unclear. Without supporting funding, the costs incurred may pose an undue burden on the Department and does not align with the priorities of the BOE-approved supplemental budget.

The Department is cognizant of Hawaii's keiki who are homeschooled. Equally to parents of the students of the public school system, the parents of students who are homeschooled are dedicated and passionate about their children's education and make an academic choice for them, which the Department fully respects and supports. The Department respectfully requests consideration and clarification of the concerns raised herein as the dialogue on extracurricular activities pursues.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on SB 318 SD2.

The Hawaii State Department of Education seeks to advance the goals of the Strategic Plan which is focused on student success, staff success, and successful systems of support. This is achieved through targeted work around three impact strategies: school design, student voice, and teacher collaboration. Detailed information is available at www.hawaiipublicschools.org.

SB-318-SD-2

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Comments: