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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SELECTIVE SERVICE.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature recognizes that sufficient  
2 strength in armed forces must be achieved and maintained to  
3 ensure the security of the United States. In a free society,  
4 the obligations and privileges of serving in the armed forces  
5 and the reserve components should be shared in accordance with a  
6 system of selection that is fair and just, and consistent with  
7 maintaining an effective national economy.

8           The legislature finds that to achieve these national  
9 security goals, Congress enacted the United States Military  
10 Selective Service Act, title 50 United States Code section 3801,  
11 which requires all male citizens and males residing in the  
12 United States, except for lawfully admitted non-immigrants, to  
13 register with the Selective Service System upon reaching the age  
14 of eighteen.

15           The legislature further finds that any person who is not in  
16 compliance with the Military Selective Service Act is ineligible



1 for federal student financial assistance and employment within  
2 the executive branch of the federal government.

3 The purpose of this Act is to require compliance with the  
4 Military Selective Service Act to be eligible for enrollment in  
5 a state-supported post-secondary educational institution or  
6 qualify for state financial assistance for post-secondary  
7 education, or to be eligible for state or county employment or  
8 service.

9 SECTION 2. The Hawaii Revised Statutes is amended by  
10 adding a new chapter to be appropriately designated and to read  
11 as follows:

12 "CHAPTER

13 SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION AWARENESS AND COMPLIANCE ACT

14 § -1 Short title. This chapter shall be known as the  
15 "Selective Service Registration Awareness and Compliance Act".

16 § -2 Definitions. As used in this chapter:

17 "Military Selective Service Act" means title 50 United  
18 States Code section 3801 et seq.

19 § -3 Compliance; post-secondary education enrollment and  
20 financial assistance. (a) Notwithstanding any law to the



1 contrary, any person who is not in compliance with the Military  
2 Selective Service Act shall not be:

3 (1) Permitted to enroll in, or receive education from, a  
4 state-supported post-secondary educational  
5 institution, including a university, college,  
6 community college, professional school, research  
7 facility, education center, or institution within the  
8 University of Hawaii system; and

9 (2) Eligible to receive a loan, grant, scholarship, or  
10 other financial assistance for post-secondary  
11 education that is provided, supported, or guaranteed  
12 by the State.

13 (b) The University of Hawaii shall ensure that applicants  
14 and enrollees under its jurisdiction comply with the Military  
15 Selective Service Act for the purposes of this section.

16 § -4 Compliance; state and county employment and  
17 service. (a) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, any  
18 person who is not in compliance with the Military Selective  
19 Service Act shall not be eligible for:

20 (1) Employment by the State or any of its political  
21 subdivisions; and



1           (2) Service for the State or any of its political  
2           subdivisions, including all offices, self-governing  
3           bodies, boards and commissions, departments, agencies,  
4           institutions, and instrumentalities.

5           (b) The State and the respective counties shall ensure  
6           that employees under their jurisdiction comply with the Military  
7           Selective Service Act for the purposes of this section.

8           § -5 **Exceptions.** A person shall not be denied a right,  
9           privilege, or benefit under this chapter for noncompliance with  
10          the Military Selective Service Act if the person is:

11          (1) Under eighteen years of age or over twenty-six years  
12          of age;

13          (2) Serving in the armed forces of the United States on  
14          active duty, other than in a reserve or National Guard  
15          unit, or has already served in the armed forces or has  
16          a condition that would preclude acceptability for  
17          military service;

18          (3) Neither a United States citizen nor a resident  
19          immigrant;

20          (4) A permanent resident of the Trust Territory of the  
21          Pacific Islands or the Northern Mariana Islands; or



1 (5) Excused from registration for some other reason  
2 provided by the Military Selective Service Act;  
3 provided that the individual claiming an exception  
4 pursuant to this paragraph shall provide a written  
5 statement to the entity with which the individual is  
6 claiming an exception describing the exception  
7 claimed.

8 § -6 Severability. If any provision of this chapter, or  
9 the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held  
10 invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or  
11 applications of the chapter which can be given without the  
12 invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions  
13 of this chapter are severable."

14 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050;  
15 provided that section 2 shall take effect on January 1 following  
16 the enactment of federal law that expands the requirement that  
17 certain male individuals register with the United States  
18 Selective Service to also include female individuals.



**Report Title:**

Selective Service Registration Awareness and Compliance Act

**Description:**

Requires compliance with the federal Military Selective Service Act to be eligible for enrollment in a state-supported post-secondary institution, qualify for state financial assistance for post-secondary education, or be eligible for state or county employment or service. Provides exceptions. (SB1343 HD1)

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