
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII TEACHER STANDARDS BOARD SPECIAL FUND.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 302A-803, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

3 "(a) In addition to establishing standards for the
4 issuance and renewal of licenses and any other powers and duties
5 authorized by law, the board's powers shall also include:

6 (1) Setting and administering its own budget;

7 (2) Adopting, amending, or repealing the rules of the
8 board in accordance with chapter 91;

9 (3) Receiving grants or donations from private
10 foundations, and state and federal funds;

11 (4) Submitting an annual report to the governor, the
12 legislature, and the board of education on the board's
13 operations and expenditures, and from the 2007-2008
14 school year, submitting a summary report every five
15 years of the board's accomplishment of objectives,
16 efforts to improve or maintain teacher quality, and



- 1 efforts to keep its operations responsive and
2 efficient;
- 3 (5) Conducting a cyclical review of standards and
4 suggesting revisions for their improvement;
- 5 (6) Establishing licensing fees in accordance with chapter
6 91 and determining the manner by which fees are
7 collected and subsequently deposited into the state
8 treasury and credited to the [~~Hawaii teacher standards~~
9 ~~board special fund,~~] general fund;
- 10 (7) Establishing penalties in accordance with chapter 91;
- 11 (8) Issuing, renewing, forfeiting, restoring,
12 conditioning, revoking, suspending, and reinstating
13 licenses;
- 14 (9) Developing criteria for a full career and technical
15 education license, limited to career and technical
16 education teaching assignments, allowing qualified
17 individuals with at least an associate's degree,
18 coursework, industry experience, and content expertise
19 to teach;
- 20 (10) Reviewing reports from the department and commission
21 on individuals hired on an emergency basis;



- 1 (11) Applying licensing standards on a case-by-case basis
2 and conducting licensing evaluations;
- 3 (12) Preparing and disseminating teacher licensing
4 information to schools and operational personnel;
- 5 (13) Approving teacher preparation programs;
- 6 (14) Establishing policies and procedures for approving
7 alternative pathways to teaching;
- 8 (15) Administering reciprocity agreements with other states
9 relative to licensing;
- 10 (16) Conducting research and development on teacher
11 licensure systems, beginning teacher programs, the
12 assessment of teaching skills, and other related
13 topics;
- 14 (17) Participating in efforts relating to teacher quality
15 issues, professional development related to the
16 board's standards, and promotion of high teacher
17 standards and accomplished teaching;
- 18 (18) Adopting applicable rules and procedures; and
- 19 (19) Adopting, amending, repealing, or suspending the
20 policies and standards of the board."



1 SECTION 2. Section 302A-808, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "§302A-808 Penalty. Any person who engages in the
4 profession of teaching in a public school without first being
5 issued a license or hired on an emergency basis as defined in
6 this chapter shall be fined not more than \$500. Any person who
7 knowingly or intentionally violates this subpart by employing an
8 individual as a public school teacher who does not possess a
9 valid license or is not a department of education or charter
10 school emergency hire as defined in this chapter may be fined
11 not more than \$500. All fines shall be deposited into the
12 [~~Hawaii teacher standards board special fund.~~] general fund."

13 SECTION 3. Section 302A-806, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 repealed.

15 [~~"§302A-806 Hawaii teacher standards board special fund.~~
16 There is established within the state treasury a special fund to
17 be known as the Hawaii teacher standards board special fund,
18 into which shall be deposited all moneys received by the board
19 in the form of appropriations, fees, fines, grants, donations,
20 or revenues regardless of their source. The special fund shall
21 be administered by the department and used to pay the expenses



1 ~~of the board, including but not limited to the payment of all~~
2 ~~operational and personnel costs, and reimbursements to board~~
3 ~~members for travel expenses incurred."]~~

4 SECTION 4. On June 30, 2021, all unencumbered balances
5 remaining in the Hawaii teacher standards board special fund
6 repealed by this Act shall lapse to the credit of the general
7 fund.

8 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

10 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2021.



Report Title:

Hawaii Teacher Standards Board Special Fund; Repeal

Description:

Repeals the Hawaii teacher standards board special fund and transfers the remaining balance to the general fund. Amends related HRS sections. Takes effect on 7/1/2021. (SD1)

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