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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF AND BLIND.

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

SECTION 1. By August 1, 2021, the board of education shall
 meet with alumni, student, and parent representatives of the
 Hawaii School for the Deaf and Blind, other members of the
 Hawaii deaf community, and representatives of the department of
 education about progress toward a plan to convert the Hawaii
 School for the Deaf and Blind to a charter school and to discuss
 alternatives, including an immersion school structure.

8 SECTION 2. By October 1, 2021, the department of
9 education, in consultation with alumni, student, and parent
10 representatives of the Hawaii School for the Deaf and Blind and
11 other members of the Hawaii deaf community, shall:

12 .(1) Submit a letter of intent to an authorizer to convert
13 the Hawaii School for the Deaf and Blind to a charter
14 school;

15 (2) Assist with the establishment of an applicant16 governing board for the charter school; and



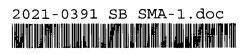
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1	(3)	3) Develop a detailed implementation plan to transition		
2		the Hawaii School for the Deaf and Blind to a		
3		conversion charter school, as defined in section		
4		302D-1, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The plan shall:		
5		(A)	Comply with requirements for the establishment of	
6			a conversion charter school, as detailed in	
7			section 302D-13, Hawaii Revised Statutes;	
8		(B)	Ensure that the school remains on the same	
9			property, uses the same facilities, and has	
10			access to the same level of funding it has before	
11			conversion;	
12		(C)	Include a timeline for the school's transition to	
13			a conversion charter school; and	
14		(D)	List any additional funding necessary to	
15			transition the school to a conversion charter	
16			school.	
17	SECTION 3. The department of education shall report to the			
18	legislature with the transition plan, funding requirements, and			
19	any proposed legislation no later than forty days prior to the			
20	convening of the regular session of 2022.			
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1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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#### Report Title:

Department of Education; Hawaii School for Deaf and Blind; Charter Schools; Deaf and Blind Task Force

#### Description:

Requires the department of education to develop a plan to transition the Hawaii School for the Deaf and Blind to a conversion charter school.

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