
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hawaii has a unique,
2 statewide public education system. The state educational agency
3 and local education agency are one and the same, and its
4 leadership requires a unique perspective and experience. Hawaii
5 is also the only state that provides all public school funding
6 without any additional support from the counties.

7 The purpose of this Act is to require that the board of
8 education prioritize, for the superintendent of education
9 position, candidates that have the minimum qualification of ten
10 years of employment in the department of education, with at
11 least five of those years serving in the position of teacher,
12 principal, or higher and establish, as a desired qualification
13 for a candidate, having a working understanding of Hawaii's tri-
14 level systems of educational administration.

15 SECTION 2. Section 302A-1101, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
16 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:



1 "(b) The board shall appoint, and may remove, the
2 superintendent by a majority vote of its members. The
3 superintendent:

4 (1) May be appointed without regard to the state residency
5 provisions of section 78-1(b);

6 (2) May be appointed for a term of up to four years; and

7 (3) May be terminated only for cause~~[+]~~;

8 provided that, notwithstanding any law to the contrary, for the
9 position of superintendent, the board shall prioritize
10 candidates that have a minimum of ten years of employment in the
11 department of education, with at least five of those years
12 serving in the position of teacher, principal, or higher;
13 provided further that a desired qualification for a candidate
14 for the position of superintendent shall be a working
15 understanding of Hawaii's tri-level systems of educational
16 administration. For purposes of this subsection, "tri-level
17 systems of educational administration" refers to the systems of
18 administration at the State, complex area, and school levels."

19 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
20 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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



Report Title:

Board of Education; Superintendent of Education; Qualifications;
Experience

Description:

Requires that the board of education prioritize for the superintendent of education position candidates that have minimum of ten years of employment in the department of education, with at least five of those years serving in the capacity as a teacher, principal, or higher. Establishes a working understanding of the State's tri-level systems of educational administration as a desired qualification for candidates for the superintendent of education position. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)

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