

JAN 25 2023

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SCHOOL CAMPUSES.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the State must
2 pursue means to attract and retain quality school teachers,
3 specialized staff, and administrators. One mechanism in this
4 effort would be the provision of much-needed housing. The
5 legislature also finds that that many school campuses,
6 particularly those in rural areas and on the neighbor islands,
7 offer the State an opportunity to provide on-campus housing for
8 those school employees. The legislature further finds that the
9 use of existing state property and infrastructure would expedite
10 construction at reduced costs. Further, such efforts would
11 bolster student life and reduce traffic congestion.

12 The legislature recognizes that pursuant to
13 section 302A-1703(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes, the school
14 facilities authority is "responsible for all public school
15 development, planning, and construction related to capital
16 improvement projects assigned by the legislature, governor, or
17 board of education". This makes the authority the ideal entity



1 to lead efforts to construct and develop housing on department
2 of education campuses. The legislature further finds that the
3 campuses of Lahainaluna high school in West Maui and Kulanihakoi
4 high school in Kihei are well-suited for this purpose, as they
5 already have appropriate infrastructure in place.

6 The purpose of this Act is to establish and appropriate
7 moneys to the school facilities authority for a pilot program to
8 provide for the planning, design, and construction of on-campus
9 housing for school employees at Lahainaluna and Kulanihakoi high
10 schools on the island of Maui.

11 SECTION 2. (a) There is established a Maui campus housing
12 pilot program, to be administered by the school facilities
13 authority. The program shall make on-campus housing available
14 to teachers, staff, and administrators employed at Lahainaluna
15 and Kulanihakoi high schools on the island of Maui. The program
16 shall commence on July 1, 2023, and end on June 30, 2029.

17 (b) No later than twenty days prior to the convening of
18 the regular sessions of 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, and 2029,
19 the school facilities authority and department of education
20 shall submit to the legislature a joint report, which shall
21 include, at minimum:



- 1 (1) Information on the progress of the program;
- 2 (2) The funding needs of the program; and
- 3 (3) Any proposed legislation, including legislation to
- 4 establish a permanent program for a wider scope of
- 5 public school teachers, staff, and administrators.

6 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
 7 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
 8 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the
 9 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
 10 2024-2025 for the establishment and administration of the Maui
 11 campus housing pilot program established pursuant to section 2
 12 of this Act.

13 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the school
 14 facilities authority for the purposes of this Act.

15 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.

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INTRODUCED BY: 



S.B. NO. 1596

Report Title:

DOE; Schools; Employees; Campuses; Housing; Pilot Program

Description:

Establishes and appropriates moneys for a Maui campus housing pilot program, to be administered by the School Facilities Authority which shall make on-campus housing available to employees at Lahainaluna and Kulanihakoi high schools on the island of Maui. Requires the School Facilities Authority and Department of Education to submit joint reports to the Legislature.

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