

JOSH GREEN, M.D.  
GOVERNOR  
KE KIA'ĀINA



GOV. MSG. NO. 1234

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS  
KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

May 30, 2025

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate,  
and Members of the Senate  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 409  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Nadine Nakamura  
Speaker, and Members of the  
House of Representatives  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
State Capitol, Room 431  
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Aloha President Kouchi, Speaker Nakamura, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on May 30, 2025, the following bill was signed into law:

H.B. NO. 1293, H.D. 2,  
S.D. 2, C.D. 1

RELATING TO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
PROCUREMENT.  
**ACT 134**

Mahalo,

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Josh Green, M.D.  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

Approved by the Governor

on MAY 30 2025

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, 2025  
STATE OF HAWAII

**ACT 134**

**H.B. NO.** 1293  
H.D. 2  
S.D. 2  
C.D. 1

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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PROCUREMENT.

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

1       SECTION 1. The legislature finds that as the largest  
2 department in the State with two hundred ninety-five schools and  
3 forty-two thousand salaried and part-time employees, the  
4 department of education must procure voluminous amounts of goods  
5 and services to run its operation. However, the department's  
6 small purchase procurement capacity is limited to under \$25,000  
7 per twelve-month period, positioning the department as the only  
8 state department to not receive an increase threshold of  
9 \$100,000 for small purchase procurement.

10       The legislature further finds that the department of  
11 education is mandated to provide at least thirty per cent  
12 locally sourced foods to Hawaii's public schools by 2030.  
13 Increasing the department's small purchase procurement capacity  
14 for local edible produce and packaged food products will assist  
15 the department in fulfilling its mandate to provide locally  
16 sourced foods for the State's public schools.



1       The purpose of this Act is to temporarily adjust the  
2       department of education's small purchase procurement capacity by  
3       exempting purchases of local edible produce and packaged food  
4       products of less than \$250,000 from the electronic procurement  
5       system requirement and instead requiring no less than three  
6       written quotes for those purchases.

7       SECTION 2. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
8       amended by adding a new section to part V to be appropriately  
9       designated and to read as follows:

10       "\$302A-       Local edible produce and packaged food products  
11       procurement; small purchases.   Notwithstanding section  
12       103D-305(c) and any other law to the contrary, procurements of  
13       less than \$250,000 for local edible produce and packaged food  
14       products for the department shall be exempt from the requirement  
15       to conduct procurements through an electronic system and shall  
16       instead be subject to no less than three written quotes;  
17       provided that if the department is unable to receive the  
18       required number of written notifications as required by this  
19       section, written justification shall be provided and kept by the  
20       department."

21       SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.



1           SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2025, and  
2 shall be repealed on June 30, 2028.



H.B. NO. 1293  
H.D. 2  
S.D. 2  
C.D. 1

APPROVED this 30th day of May, 2025

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

HB No. 1293, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1

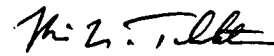
THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: April 30, 2025  
Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025.



Nadine K. Nakamura  
Speaker  
House of Representatives

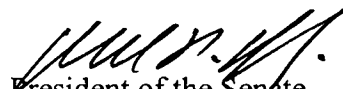


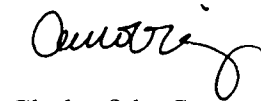
Brian L. Takeshita  
Chief Clerk  
House of Representatives

**THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAI‘I**

Date: April 30, 2025  
Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill this day passed Final Reading in the Senate  
of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai‘i, Regular Session of 2025.

  
President of the Senate

  
Clerk of the Senate