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# 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 the school  
2 facilities authority was established to oversee the development,  
3 planning, and construction of public school facilities across  
4 the State, ensuring that schools meet the infrastructure needs  
5 of students, staff, and communities. Presently, the school  
6 facilities authority board consists of five voting members  
7 appointed by the governor.

8           The department of education is a necessary and critical  
9 partner to the successful implementation of school facilities  
10 projects through its understanding of educational needs and  
11 administrative priorities. There is a need to strengthen  
12 collaboration between the department of education and the school  
13 facilities authority to ensure that the planning and development  
14 of school facilities are aligned with the educational goals and  
15 requirements of Hawaii's public education system.

16           The legislature further finds that the board of education,  
17 which oversees the department of education, brings a perspective



1 on educational governance and policy. Incorporating  
2 representatives from the department of education and board of  
3 education as ex officio voting members of the school facilities  
4 authority board will ensure the department of education's  
5 strategic priorities are represented in the school facilities  
6 authority's projects and enhance the accountability and  
7 responsiveness of the school facilities authority to the needs  
8 of students, educators, and the community.

9 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to add two ex  
10 officio voting members that represent the department of  
11 education and the board of education to the school facilities  
12 authority board.

13 SECTION 2. Section 302A-1704, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
14 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

15 "(b) The board shall consist of [~~five~~] seven voting  
16 members[~~—The~~] who shall serve without compensation but may be  
17 reimbursed for expenses, including travel expenses, necessary  
18 for the performance of their duties; provided that:

19 (1) Five of the members shall:

20 [~~(1)~~] (A) Be appointed by the governor pursuant to  
21 section 26-34;



1       ~~[(2)]~~ (B) Have an interest in public school facilities; and  
 2       ~~[(3)]~~ (C) Include one member actively or previously engaged  
 3                   in the construction industry for at least five  
 4                   years; and

5       ~~[(4)]~~ ~~Serve without compensation but may be reimbursed for~~  
 6                   ~~expenses, including travel expenses, necessary for the~~  
 7                   ~~performance of their duties.]~~

8       (2) Two of the members shall be ex officio members,  
 9                   including:

10           (A) The superintendent of education or the  
 11                   superintendent's designee; and

12           (B) The chairperson of the board of education or the  
 13                   chairperson's designee."

14       SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
 15 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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



**Report Title:**

BOE; DOE; School Facilities Authority Board; Membership

**Description:**

Adds two ex officio, voting members that represent the Department of Education and Board of Education to the School Facilities Authority Board. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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