

ACT 16

A Bill for an Act Relating to Student Loans and Amending Chapter 44B of the Revised Laws of Hawaii, as Amended by Act 141, Session Laws of Hawaii 1965.

Be it Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. This Act is hereby declared to be an urgency measure deemed necessary in the public interest within the meaning of section 11 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.

The following is a statement of the facts constituting such urgency:

Title IV of Public Law 89-329 and Public Law 89-287 made available to students beyond the high schools a means of securing loans for their education. The present provisions of chapter 44B, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as amended, are too narrow to fulfill the requirements of Public Law 89-329 and Public Law 89-287. It is urgent and in the public interest that chapter 44B of the Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as amended, be broadened in several respects thus insuring for the students in Hawaii the availability of the liberal provisions of the federal laws.

SECTION 2. Chapter 44B, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as amended by Act 141, Session Laws of Hawaii 1965, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 44B. UNITED STUDENT AID FUNDS

Sec. 44B-1. Participation in United Student Aid Funds, Inc. The department of budget and finance is hereby authorized to enter into a contract with the United Student Aid Funds, Inc., relating to loans to students. Such contract may be amended or revised by the department to assure the full utilization of benefits provided by Public Law 89-329 and Public Law 89-287.

Sec. 44B-2. Eligibility. All students meeting the requirements of and attending institutions meeting the accreditation standards of Public Law 89-329 and Public Law 89-287 shall be eligible for loans guaranteed under this program.

Sec. 44B-3. Capacity of minors. Any student otherwise qualifying for a loan under the provisions of this Act shall not be disqualified by reasons of his being under the age of twenty years, and for the purpose of applying for, receiving and repaying such loan, any such person shall be deemed to have full legal capacity to act and shall have all rights, powers, privileges and obligations of an adult, with respect thereto.

Sec. 44B-4. Rules and regulations. The department of budget and finance is authorized to establish rules and regulations relating to the participation of eligible institutions as defined in Public Law 89-329 and Public Law 89-287, allocation of available loan funds among the several participating eligible institutions, definition of necessary terms, and other matters relating to the program."

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
(Approved April 5, 1966.) **H.B. 118.**