
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO BOARD OF EDUCATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the board of
2 education is the policy-making body for the public school system
3 and plays a vital and critical role in shaping the education of
4 the children of Hawaii. The board of education faces many
5 complex and difficult challenges and issues that require
6 knowledgeable, educated, and experienced policy makers. Thus,
7 in order to provide a quality public educational system that is
8 second to none, the State must be willing to adequately
9 compensate board members to ensure the quality, professionalism,
10 and integrity of the board.

11 The purpose of this Act is to provide salaries for board of
12 education members.

13 SECTION 2. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended by adding two new sections to part IV to be
15 appropriately designated and to read as follows:

16 "§302A-A Salaries. Elected members of the board of
17 education shall receive:

18 (1) An annual salary paid:



- 1 (A) From the revenues of the general fund; and
- 2 (B) In equal amounts, beginning with the first pay
- 3 period for state employees in November of the
- 4 year the member of the board is elected; unless
- 5 otherwise provided in this section.

6 Effective July 1, 2009, the salary of the chairperson
7 of the board shall be \$37,000 a year, and the salary
8 of the other members of the board shall be \$32,000 a
9 year. Any law to the contrary notwithstanding, all
10 members of the board shall be included in any benefit
11 program generally applicable to officers and employees
12 of the State;

13 (2) Transportation fare between islands to attend board
14 meetings if a member resides on an island other than
15 the island where the meeting is held; and

16 (3) A protocol allowance to cover expenses incurred in the
17 course of a member's duties and responsibilities.

18 §302A-B Salary commission; established. (a) There is
19 established a salary commission for the members of the board of
20 education. The salary commission shall consist of seven members
21 appointed by the governor, pursuant to section 26-34, on or
22 before August 31, 2009, and every four years thereafter. The



1 members shall serve without compensation but shall be entitled
2 to reimbursement for necessary expenses while in the discharge
3 of their duties and responsibilities.

4 (b) Before the twentieth legislative day of the regular
5 session of 2010 and every four years thereafter, the salary
6 commission shall study and make recommendations for the salary
7 of the members of the board and submit the study to the
8 legislature, and then shall be dissolved. The recommended
9 salaries, if any, shall be effective as of the date of the
10 recommendations, unless the legislature disapproves the
11 recommendations by adoption of a concurrent resolution prior to
12 adjournment sine die of the legislative session in which the
13 recommendations are submitted."

14 SECTION 3. Section 302A-1105, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
15 repealed.

16 [~~"§302A-1105 Compensation; expenses. Board of education~~
17 ~~members shall be allowed:~~

18 ~~(1) Compensation at the rate of \$100 per day for each~~
19 ~~day's actual attendance at meetings;~~

20 ~~(2) Transportation fares between islands and abroad; and~~

21 ~~(3) Personal expenses at the rates specified by the board~~
22 ~~while attending board meetings or while on official~~



Report Title:

Board of Education; Salaries

Description:

Provides salaries for the board of education.

