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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO TEACHERS.

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

- 1           SECTION 1. Section 302A-706, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- 3           "(a) There is established within the department the  
4 teacher national board certification incentive program to  
5 recognize and support exemplary teaching practice by supporting  
6 public school teachers who have achieved national board  
7 certification under the certification program of the National  
8 Board for Professional Teaching Standards. The teacher national  
9 board certification incentive program shall provide:
- 10           (1) A \$5,000 bonus per year for each public school teacher  
11           who maintains current national board certification;
- 12           (2) \$1,500 upon completing all components of the  
13           certification program of the National Board for  
14           Professional Teaching Standards;
- 15           (3) A reimbursement of the remainder of the national board  
16           certification application fee upon achievement of  
17           national board certification; and



1 (4) An additional \$5,000 bonus per year for each public  
2 school teacher who maintains current national board  
3 certification and who teaches at:

4 (A) A school [~~that is in restructuring under the No~~  
5 ~~Child Left Behind Act, Public Law 107-110;~~] in a  
6 focus, priority, or superintendent's zone, or  
7 other similar designation, as determined by the  
8 department;

9 (B) A school with a high turnover rate, as determined  
10 by the department; or

11 [~~(C) A school that is not making adequate yearly~~  
12 ~~progress, but is not in restructuring under the~~  
13 ~~No Child Left Behind Act, Public Law 107-110; or~~

14 ~~(D)] (C) A hard-to-fill school, as determined by the~~

15 department."

16 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
17 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

18 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2030.



**Report Title:**

Teachers; Incentives

**Description:**

Authorizes an additional per year bonus for teachers who maintain current national board certification under the national board certification incentive program and teach at a school in a focus, priority, or superintendent's zone, as determined by the department of education. Effective 7/1/2030. (SD2)

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