

JAN 29 2015

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that high school students
2 in public and charter schools are encouraged to engage in
3 college level academic courses by a variety of advanced
4 placement courses. The advanced placement courses are designed
5 based on the assumption that high school and college courses are
6 taught in the English language. In Hawaii, high school courses
7 are offered in the Hawaiian language. Further, the Hawaiian
8 language college at the University of Hawaii at Hilo offers a
9 liberal arts curriculum primarily through the Hawaiian language.

10 The legislature finds that there is a need for a pilot
11 program to develop a system for enrolling high school students
12 taught using the Hawaiian language into the Hawaiian language
13 college, in a cost efficient manner that maximizes available
14 technologies. The pilot program would be initially targeted
15 toward students in the laboratory school program of the Hawaiian
16 language college.



1 SECTION 2. There is established a pilot program to provide
2 college level courses to public school and charter school
3 students in the high school level participating in the
4 laboratory school program of the Hawaiian language college. The
5 classes shall be appropriate for public school and charter
6 school students speaking the Hawaiian language.

7 The pilot program shall initially be implemented in the
8 laboratory school at the Hawaiian language college. The
9 Hawaiian language college shall determine the qualifications for
10 enrollment in the pilot program.

11 The Hawaiian language college may assess an enrollment fee
12 for participation in the pilot program and charge students
13 participating in the pilot program for books and materials.

14 The Hawaiian language college may require students
15 receiving federal funds to pay regular tuition costs as a
16 condition to participating in the pilot program. The Hawaiian
17 language college may impose other requirements for participation
18 in the pilot program as it deems appropriate.

19 SECTION 3. The Hawaiian language college may use funds
20 appropriated to it for the design, implementation, and operation
21 of the pilot program.

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1 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Hawaiian Language College; Pilot Program for Advanced Placement Classes Taught in the Hawaiian Language

Description:

Establishes a pilot program to provide tuition free classes at the Hawaiian language college to high school students. Requires the pilot program to be designed, implemented, and operated by the Hawaiian language college and initiated at a laboratory school program within reasonable proximity to the Hawaiian language college.

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