
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

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

1 PART I

2 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to require the
3 auditor to conduct an audit of the department of education's
4 school food services branch to determine the current baseline of
5 the amount of local produce that is purchased and served to
6 students in school cafeterias. The intent of this Act is to use
7 the audit to provide the legislature with information on what
8 type of food is being purchased by the school food services
9 branch for school meals to help determine what amount of the
10 purchased food is locally sourced.

11 SECTION 2. (a) The auditor shall conduct an audit of the
12 department of education's school food services branch to
13 determine the current amount of local produce purchased and
14 served to students by the branch and to identify the sources of
15 the purchased produce to establish a baseline amount of produce
16 which is locally sourced.



1 (b) The auditor shall submit a report of the auditor's
2 findings and recommendations, including any proposed
3 legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior
4 to the convening of the regular session of 2022.

5 PART II

6 SECTION 3. Hawaii has a unique, statewide public education
7 system. The state educational agency and local education agency
8 are one and the same, and its leadership requires a unique
9 perspective and experience. Hawaii is also the only state that
10 provides all public school funding without any additional
11 support from the counties.

12 The purpose of this part is to require that the board of
13 education prioritize, for the superintendent of education
14 position, candidates that have the minimum qualification of ten
15 years of employment in a department of education, including no
16 less than five years serving as a principal or in a higher-level
17 position, and a desired qualification for a candidate is having
18 a working understanding of Hawaii tri-level systems of
19 educational administration.

20 SECTION 4. Section 302A-1101, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
21 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:



1 "(b) The board shall appoint, and may remove, the
2 superintendent by a majority vote of its members. The
3 superintendent:

4 (1) May be appointed without regard to the state residency
5 provisions of section 78-1(b);

6 (2) May be appointed for a term of up to four years; and

7 (3) May be terminated only for cause[-];

8 provided that for the position of superintendent,
9 notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the board shall
10 prioritize candidates having a minimum qualification of ten
11 years of employment in a department of education, including no
12 less than five years serving as a principal or in a higher-level
13 position; provided further that a desired qualification for a
14 candidate for the position of superintendent is having a working
15 understanding of the State's tri-level systems of educational
16 administration.

17 For purposes of this subsection, "tri-level systems of
18 educational administration" means the systems of administration
19 at the State, complex area, and school levels."



1 PART III

2 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
3 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

4 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.



Report Title:

Audit; DOE; School Food Services Branch; BOE; Superintendent

Description:

Part I - Requires the auditor to audit the department of education's school food services branch to determine the amount of local produce that is being purchased and served to students. Part II - Requires that the board of education prioritize for the superintendent of education position candidates that have the minimum qualification of ten years of employment in a department of education including no less than five years serving as a principal or in a higher-level position, and a desired qualification for a candidate is having a working understanding of the State's tri-level system of educational administration. (SD2)

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