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| **ISSUE** | **BILL #** | **Description** | **Status** | **T/M** |
| ABA Services in the Classroom\* | [HB 1042](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=HB&billnumber=1042&year=2023)  [SB 1340](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=SB&billnumber=1340&year=2023) | Exempts teachers working in collaboration with a licensed behavior analyst or licensed psychologist from behavior analyst licensing requirements. Allows a registered behavior technician under the direction of a licensed psychologist to implement ABA services. | Pending introduction  Referrals: EDN/HLT, CPC  Hearing in HHS 2/13  Referrals: HHS/CPN |  |
| Accessible Formats for Instructional Materials | [HB 388](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=HB&billnumber=388&year=2023) HD 1 | Requires HIDOE to obtain instructional materials in accessible formats for eligible students. | Hearing in EDN 1/31  Referrals: EDN, FIN |  |
| American Sign Language | [HB 834](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=HB&billnumber=834&year=2023) HD 1/  [SB 610](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=SB&billnumber=610&year=2023) | Recognizes American Sign Language as a distinct language with its own rules, structure and cultural heritage.  (Part of the Deaf and Blind Task Force package) | Passed CAI 2/3/23  Referrals: CAI, JHA, CPC  Passed HHS 2/8/23  Referrals: HHS, JDC |  |
| Authentic Assessments | [HB 80](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=HB&billnumber=80&year=2023) | Authorizes school complex areas to use authentic assessments as part of classroom-based performance assessments | Hearing in EDN 2/14  Referrals: EDN, FIN |  |
| Early Intervention Work Group for Deaf/HH Kids | [HB 1296](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=HB&billnumber=1296&year=2023) | Establishes an early intervention working group to recommend ways to assist and support deaf and hard of hearing children | Hearing HLT 2/10, deferred until 2/15  Referrals: HLT/FIN |  |
| Hawaii ABLE Program Incentive Payments | [SB 672](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=SB&billnumber=672&year=2023) | Allows the Hawaii ABLE Savings Program Trust Fund to provide incentive payments to Hawaii public school ABLE account owners. | Passed HHS 2/8/23  Referrals: HHS, WAM |  |
| Hawaii School for the Deaf Blind – Charter School | [HB 830](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=HB&billnumber=830&year=2023)/  [SB 605](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=SB&billnumber=605&year=2023) | Requires HIDOE to meet with Hawaii School for the Deaf and Blind stakeholders to develop a plan to transition to a conversion charter school. | Hearing in EDN 2/14  Referrals: EDN, FIN  Referrals: EDU, JDC |  |
| Seizure Safe Schools\* | [HB 793](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=HB&billnumber=793&year=2023)/  [HB 934](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=HB&billnumber=934&year=2023) | Authorizes schools to have staff to administer/assist with seizure disorder rescue medication. | Pending introduction  Referrals: HLT, EDN, FIN |  |
| Sex Abuse/Sex Trafficking\* | [HB 548](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=HB&billnumber=548&year=2023)/  [SB 308](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=SB&billnumber=308&year=2023) | Develops curricula for students, training for teachers and information for parents about sexual abuse/sex trafficking. | Pending introduction  Referrals: EDN, JHA, FIN  Referrals HHS/EDU, JDC/WAM |  |
| UH Community College Promise Program\* | [SB 1151](https://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/session/measure_indiv.aspx?billtype=SB&billnumber=1151&year=2023) | Makes it easier for students who have received a Certificate of Completion from high school to access the UH Community College Promise Program | Passed HRE on 2/9/23  Referrals HRE, WAM |  |