A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VOLUNTARY DRUG TESTING IN SCHOOLS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 302A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by adding a new part to be appropriately designated and 3 to read as follows: 4 "PART Drug testing policy; adoption. (a) No school 5 may require or request a student to submit to testing of any 6 7 sample of a pupil's urine, hair, or other bodily tissue or fluid to determine drug or alcohol use, except as provided by this 8 part. A school may adopt a drug and alcohol testing policy 9 consistent with this part. Drug and alcohol testing is 10 permitted only upon a reasonable suspicion of the unlawful use 11 of a controlled substance or alcohol. 12 (b) A school that adopts a drug and alcohol testing policy 13 shall provide at least 90 calendar days written notice of the 14
- 15 policy to the parent or legal guardian of a student enrolled in the school.
- 17 (c) Reasonable suspicion may not be based upon any of the 18 following factors:

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                   Race;
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                   National origin;
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                   Gender;
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                   Socioeconomic status;
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                   Suspicion or evidence of drug or alcohol use
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              among the student's family members or peer group;
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                   Sexual orientation;
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                   Disability or medical condition; or
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                   Religion.
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         §302A-B
                   Confidentiality. (a) Test results shall be
    treated as confidential medical records and shall only be
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    accessible to the following individuals:
                   The student subject to the testing;
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                   The parent or legal quardian of the student;
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                   The principal or his or her designee who is
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              directly responsible for school discipline and safety;
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                   Appropriate school staff and certified or
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              licensed health care professionals employed by or
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              working with a school, including physicians,
              registered nurses, advance nurse practitioners,
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              counselors, and substance abuse professionals, for
              whom the information is necessary to facilitate an
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1	individualized course of action for the pupil that					
2	addresses the unlawful use of drugs or alcohol and					
3	supports academic success;					
4	(5) The superintendent of education; or					
5	(6) Appropriate law enforcement authorities.					
6	§302A-C Referral; treatment. A school should seek to					
7	ensure that any pupil who tests positive for the unlawful use of					
8	a controlled substance or alcohol is referred to a school					
9	counselor, a substance abuse professional, or other appropriate					
10	school staff for the purpose of developing an individualized					
11	course of treatment that addresses the unlawful use of drugs or					
12	alcohol and supports scholastic success.					
13	§302A-D Discipline. Nothing in this part shall be					
14	construed to limit the ability of a school or the department to					
15	discipline a student.					
16	§302A-E Policy; criteria for implementation. (a) A					
17	school may adopt a policy to randomly test students for drug or					
18	alcohol use only if all of the following conditions are met:					
19	(1) The board of education votes in favor of the					
20	policy at a noticed public hearing where the votes of					
21	the board members are recorded;					

1	(2) The school proposing the policy presents written
2	justifications to the board of education for adoption
3	of the policy;
4	(3) The program is voluntary for both parents and
5	students, with prior written consent of the student,
6	and the student's parent or legal guardian if the
7	student is under the age of eighteen, necessary for
8	participation;
9	(4) The consent to random testing is not a condition
10	for participation in school or extracurricular
11	activities;
12	(5) A school employee or a department employee does
13	not participate in collecting or analyzing urine,
14	hair, or other bodily tissue or fluid of a student;
15	(6) A student participating in the testing program is
16	selected at random from a pool of volunteer candidates
17	by an independent drug and alcohol testing company or
18	agency that is certified by the Drug and Alcohol
19	Testing Industry Association;
20	(7) Test results are maintained private and
21	confidential subject to §302A-B;

1	(8)	Rand	om testing programs are funded exclusively
2	from	the	following sources:
3		(A)	Direct payments of fees from parents, legal
4			guardians, or students to the testing
5			company duly authorized by a school to
6			conduct its random testing program;
7		(B)	Fees collected by a school or the department
8			from parents, legal guardians, or students
9			to support noncurricular programs or
10			activities;
11		(C)	Federal grants expressly intended to fund
12			random drug and alcohol testing programs;
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14		(D)	Grants from private, nongovernmental
15			entities expressly intended to fund random
16			drug and alcohol testing programs.
17	(9)	The	drug and alcohol testing company or agency
18	does	not	use private or personal information gathered
19	from	stud	ents to promote or otherwise encourage the
20	purcl	nase	of additional services. Personal information
21	obta:	ined	directly or indirectly from activities on
22	scho	ol di	strict property shall not be provided to any

1	other entity, business, or subsidiary not directly					
2	involved in processing the test. That personal					
3	information includes, but is not limited to, names,					
4	physical addresses, cellular and landline telephone					
5	numbers, and e-mail addresses; and					
6	(10) The school notifies the superintendent of					
7	education of its implementation of its voluntary drug					
8	and alcohol testing program.					
9	§302A-F Definitions. For purposes of this part:					
10	"Appropriate law enforcement authorities" means the police					
11	departments of the respective counties, the Attorney General, or					
12	the U.S. Attorney.					
13	"Controlled substance" means the same as defined in chapte:					
14	329-1.					
15	"Reasonable suspicion" means articulable facts, together					
16	with rational inferences from those facts, warranting an					
1,7	objective suspicion that a student is unlawfully using or has					
18	unlawfully used a controlled substance."					
19	SECTION 2. The revisor of statutes shall substitute					
20	appropriate section numbers for the letters used in designating					
21	the new sections in this Act.					
22	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.					

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Report Title:

Education; drug testing

Description:

Allows the department of education to implement a voluntary and confidential drug testing policy in public schools.