

GOV. MSG. NO. 565

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

HONOLULU

LINDA LINGLE

March 27, 2007

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Madam President and Members of the Senate:

This is to inform you that on March 27, 2007, the following bill was signed into law:

HB21 HD1

A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOLS. (ACT 03)

Sincerely,

LINDA LINGLE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE, 2007 STATE OF HAWAII

ACT 003

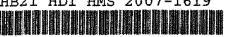
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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SCHOOLS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Act 186, Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, makes the
- 2 department of education responsible for ensuring that asbestos
- 3 testing is conducted prior to any exterior or interior
- renovations or painting of school facilities, if the surfaces 4
- 5 have not been previous tested.
- 6 The federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986
- 7 requires asbestos testing on interior surfaces only if there are
- 8 suspected asbestos-containing materials that would be affected
- 9 during renovation or painting of school facilities.
- 10 The legislature finds that the current law, which requires
- 11 testing of any surfaces, can result in unnecessary costs.
- 12 The purpose of this Act is to clarify that asbestos testing
- 13 of school facilities is to be conducted only on all suspected
- 14 asbestos-containing materials, including exterior surfaces, and
- 15 as required by the federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response
- 16 Act of 1986 for interior surfaces, prior to any exterior or
- 17 interior renovations or painting of school facilities, including
- conversion charter school facilities. 18



- 1 SECTION 2. Act 186, Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, is
- 2 amended by amending section 2 to read as follows:
- 3 "SECTION 2. The department of education shall be
- 4 responsible for ensuring that asbestos testing is conducted on
- 5 all suspected asbestos-containing materials, including exterior
- 6 surfaces, and as required by the federal Asbestos Hazard
- 7 Emergency Response Act of 1986 for interior surfaces, prior to
- 8 any exterior or interior renovations or painting of school
- 9 facilities at all department of education and conversion charter
- 10 schools[except charter schools ; provided that the surfaces
- 11 have not previously been tested."
- 12 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 13 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.