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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

AUTHORIZING APPROPRIATIONS TO REDUCE THE REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS BACKLOG FOR DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FACILITIES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Hawaii's children deserve a quality education
- 2 in a clean and safe environment. Many schools have leaky roofs,
- 3 termite-infested floors, crumbling walls, and overheated
- 4 classrooms. The legislature finds that there is a compelling
- 5 need to immediately fund the backlog of repair and maintenance
- 6 projects in the public schools.
- 7 In 2001, the legislature appropriated funds to help
- 8 mitigate the department of education's estimated \$640,000,000
- 9 backlog of repair and maintenance projects. The current backlog
- 10 of repair and maintenance projects is estimated at \$341,000,000,
- 11 which includes recurring major and minor repairs, ongoing cycle
- 12 maintenance, service and contract maintenance, nonrecurring
- 13 projects, and emergency repairs.
- 14 The purpose of this Act is to reduce the backlog of repair
- 15 and maintenance projects to a manageable level of \$150,000,000
- 16 within three years. In order to reduce the existing backlog of
- 17 work and newly generated repair and maintenance deficiencies, it



- is projected that \$130,000,000 will be required in general fund 1
- 2 revenues each year for the next three years.
- 3 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$130,000,000, or so
- 5 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2007-2008, and
- 6 the same sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
- 7 year 2008-2009, for the department of education's repair and
- 8 maintenance projects.
- 9 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- 10 of education for the purposes of this Act.
- 11 SECTION 3. Sums appropriated under this Act shall be in
- 12 addition to any funds that may be appropriated for the same
- 13 purposes of this Act.
- 14 SECTION 4. The appropriation made for capital improvement
- 15 projects authorized by section 2 of this Act shall not lapse at
- 16 the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is
- 17 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation
- 18 unencumbered as of June 30, 2010, shall lapse as of that date.
- 19 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

INTRODUCED BY:

## Report Title:

Department of Education; Repair and Maintenance; Appropriation

## Description:

Authorizes the appropriation of general revenues for the department of education's repair and maintenance projects.