A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PHYSICAL EDUCATION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that it is important for
- 2 children to develop healthy lifelong habits while they are
- 3 young. Schools, and the communities they serve, must be
- 4 involved in encouraging those healthy habits.
- 5 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to establish a
- 6 working group to assess the sufficiency of physical education
- 7 resources and opportunities in the State's kindergarten through
- 8 elementary grade public schools. The working group will also
- 9 examine ways to involve the communities that are served by those
- 10 schools, including community and nonprofit groups, to seek
- 11 solutions that are widely acceptable.
- 12 SECTION 2. (a) The department of education shall convene
- 13 a working group to assess the sufficiency of physical education
- 14 resources and opportunities in the State's kindergarten through
- 15 elementary grade public schools, including but not limited to:
- 16 (1) The number of available and filled positions related

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1	(2)	The sufficiency of resources available for physical
2		education;
3	(3)	The utilization and effectiveness of resources
4		available for physical education;
5	(4)	Whether opportunities for physical education should be
6		increased; and
7	(5)	Whether the number of positions related to physical
8		education should be increased.
9	(b)	The working group shall comprise sixteen members,
10	including:	
11	(1)	The superintendent of education, who shall serve as
12		chairperson; and
13	(2)	The complex area superintendent of each of the State's
14		fifteen complex areas.
15	(c)	The working group shall submit a report of its
16	findings and recommendations, including any proposed	
17	legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior	
18	to the convening of the regular session of 2017.	
19	(d)	The working group shall be dissolved upon the
20	submission	n of its report.

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SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2016.

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Report Title:

Public Education; Physical Education; Working Group; Established

Description:

Establishes a working group to assess physical education in kindergarten through elementary grades in public schools and report to the legislature.

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