
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 302A-1510, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 " ~~[§]~~302A-1510 ~~[§]~~ Sustainable schools initiative. (a)
4 The department shall establish a goal of becoming net-zero with
5 respect to energy use, producing as much renewable energy as the
6 department consumes across all public school facilities, by
7 January 1, 2035.

8 (b) The department shall use the amount and value of
9 energy consumed by the department across all public school
10 facilities during the 2015-2016 fiscal year as the benchmark for
11 measuring the department's progress toward the energy usage goal
12 set forth in subsection (a).

13 (c) The department shall submit an annual report that
14 shall include information on:

15 (1) The overall progress toward the net-zero energy goal
16 set forth in subsection (a);



(2) Its plans and recommendations to advance the net-zero energy goal set forth in subsection (a); and

(3) Any challenges or barriers encountered or anticipated by the department in meeting the net-zero energy goal set forth in subsection (a).

(d) The department shall expedite the cooling of all public school classrooms to a temperature acceptable for student learning. When implementing classroom cooling measures, the department, and any contractor hired to implement classroom cooling measures, shall maximize energy efficiency and installation and operating cost savings over the entire life of the project.

(e) The department shall establish and maintain a priority list of schools in need of classroom cooling; provided that beginning with the 2018-2019 school year and every year thereafter, no less than fifty per cent of all funds appropriated to the department for classroom cooling projects shall be made available for grants to schools on the priority list for classroom cooling. The department shall allow any school on the priority list to apply to the department for



1 grants to fund energy-efficient classroom cooling projects that
2 have been approved by the school's principal.

3 ~~[(e) Pursuant to this section, the]~~ (f) The department
4 shall include in the annual report required by subsection (c)
5 the status of the implementation of measures taken to cool
6 public school classrooms as required by subsection (d). The
7 report shall include the following information:

- 8 (1) The number of completed classrooms in which cooling
9 measures were implemented and the number of classrooms
10 remaining that require cooling;
- 11 (2) The different types of cooling measures implemented;
- 12 (3) The approximate cost per classroom for planned cooling
13 measures, including installation, upgrades, equipment,
14 maintenance, and projected operating costs over the
15 life of the installed cooling measures;
- 16 (4) The approximate cost per completed classroom for
17 cooling measures implemented, including installation,
18 upgrades, equipment, maintenance, and projected
19 operating costs over the life of the installed cooling
20 measures;



(5) The number of completed classrooms in which energy efficiency measures were installed or implemented and the number of classrooms remaining that require energy efficiency measures; and

(6) The different types of energy efficiency measures installed or implemented.

~~[(f)]~~ (g) The department shall submit its annual report ~~[its]~~, including findings ~~[and]~~, recommendations ~~[, including]~~, and any proposed legislation, to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Department of Education; Classroom Cooling Projects; School
Priority List

Description:

Requires the Department of Education to establish and maintain a priority list of schools in need of classroom cooling; provided that at least fifty percent of all funds appropriated for classroom cooling projects be made available for grants to schools on the priority list. Allows schools on the priority list to apply for Department of Education grants for energy-efficient classroom cooling projects. (HB2484 HD1)

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