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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 302D-35, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 " ~~[+]~~ §302D-35 ~~[+]~~ Use of vacant department facilities. (a)
4 When any department considers whether to close any particular
5 facility, it shall give reasonable consideration to making all
6 or portions of the facility available to public charter schools
7 and early learning programs that are affiliated with a public
8 charter school.

9 (b) Each department shall provide notice to the
10 superintendent and state public charter school commission
11 identifying suitable unused facilities that may be appropriate
12 for:

13 (1) Public charter schools; and

14 (2) Early learning programs, including the pre-plus
15 program, that are affiliated with a public charter
16 school.



1 The department of accounting and general services shall
2 inventory the suitable facilities, and, in determining
3 suitability for educational reuse, priority shall be given to
4 facilities on sites with sufficient space for three or more
5 classrooms.

6 (c) The department of accounting and general services
7 shall conduct semi-annual surveys of all departments concerning
8 any unused facilities, or in the case of the department of
9 education any under utilized department school, that meet the
10 conditions under subsection (b) and maintain an inventory of all
11 such unused or under utilized facilities. The department of
12 accounting and general services shall provide semi-annual
13 reports on the inventory maintained under this subsection to the
14 state public charter school commission.

15 ~~[(e)]~~ (d) The department of accounting and general
16 services shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 necessary to
17 carry out the purposes of this section.

18 ~~[(d)]~~ (e) For purposes of this section, "department" means
19 all of the departments listed in section 26-4.

20 ~~[(e)]~~ (f) Upon receipt of a notice pursuant to subsection
21 (b), the state public charter school commission shall:



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(1) Solicit applications from public charter schools or early learning programs that are affiliated with a public charter school, respectively, that are interested in using and occupying all or portions of the facilities; and

(2) Submit a prioritized list of public charter schools or early learning programs that are affiliated with a public charter school, respectively, to the department of accounting and general services for final determination of which public charter schools or early learning programs that are affiliated with a public charter school, if any, shall be authorized to use and occupy the facilities."

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

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Department of Accounting and General Services; Vacant Department Facilities; Surveys and Reports; State Public Charter School Commission

Description:

Requires the Department of Accounting and General Services to conduct semi-annual surveys of all departments concerning any unused facilities that may be used by public charter schools and maintain an inventory of all such unused facilities. Requires the Department of Accounting and General Services to provide semi-annual reports on the inventory potentially useable unused department facilities to the state public charter school commission.

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