
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.

17 The department of accounting and general services shall
18 inventory the suitable facilities, and, in determining



1 suitability for educational reuse, priority shall be given to
2 facilities on sites with sufficient space for three or more
3 classrooms.

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

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

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

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

- 20 (1) Solicit applications from public charter schools or
21 early learning programs that are affiliated with a



1 public charter school, respectively, that are
2 interested in using and occupying all or portions of
3 the facilities; and

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

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed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

14 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2018.



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 biennial surveys of all departments regarding unused facilities or under utilized Department of Education schools that may be used by public charter schools and to maintain an inventory of the facilities. Requires the Department of Accounting and General Services to provide biennial reports on the inventory to the State Public Charter School Commission.
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