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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           " [H] §302D-35 [H]   **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 biennial surveys of all departments concerning any  
8 unused facilities, or in the case of the department of education  
9 any under utilized department schools, that meet the conditions  
10 under subsection (b) and maintain an inventory of all such  
11 unused or under utilized facilities. The department of  
12 accounting and general services shall provide biennial reports  
13 on the inventory maintained under this subsection to the state  
14 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:



- 1           (1) Solicit applications from public charter schools or  
2           early learning programs that are affiliated with a  
3           public charter school, respectively, that are  
4           interested in using and occupying all or portions of  
5           the facilities; and
- 6           (2) Submit a prioritized list of public charter schools or  
7           early learning programs that are affiliated with a  
8           public charter school, respectively, to the department  
9           of accounting and general services for final  
10          determination of which public charter schools or early  
11          learning programs that are affiliated with a public  
12          charter school, if any, shall be authorized to use and  
13          occupy the facilities."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  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

16          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 biennial 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 biennial reports on the inventory of unused department facilities to the state public charter school commission. (SD1)

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